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SNOWDON LAG BA'OMER

Thousands of Montreal Jewish day school pupils took part in this year's Lag Ba'Omer parade, organized annually by the Lubavitch Youth Organization. It began at Mackenzie King Park and wound through the Snowdon district. (Howard Kay photo)

U.S. senator tells AIPAC meeting American security relies on Israel

By SHEILA DROPKIN

WASHINGTON — The United States will continue to support Israel because it is in its own best interests to do so, the more than 1,000 delegates to the 23rd annual policy conference of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) held in Washington last week were told repeatedly by spokespeople from both countries.

Fifty members and associates of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) from 17 countries attended the conference as observers. They were led by National President Miriam Small and National Executive Vice-President Lily Frank and accompanied by Bob Willmot of the Canada-Israel Committee.

Utilizing this forum as their 13th national public affairs seminar, the Canadian participants will organize interfaith dialogues and programs on a variety of humanitarian issues on their return to Canada.

AIPAC is the official lobby in the U.S. acting on behalf of Israel. Conference participants, who arrived from as far away as Hawaii and Alaska, are volunteers from all walks of life who are actively engaged in presenting Israel's case to their neighbors and elected officials.

Since Israel looks to the U.S. for massive economic aid, arms supplies, intelligence information and support in the UN, and U.S. congressmen (both Senators and Representatives) vote independently on issues (unlike Canada, where votes conform to party policy), these contacts are viewed as Israel's lifeline.

Senator Joseph Biden of Delaware, a key speaker during the convention, received a standing ovation when he declared that "America needs Israel. This is the best message to sell to Americans. Security interests of the U.S. are dependent on Israel; it is the anchor of our interests in the Mediterranean, but the American people aren't told this."

A bitter opponent of the Reagan administration's Middle East policy, Biden claimed that those in the U.S. who see Saudi Arabia and Jordan as "second pillars" for protecting U.S. interests are self-deceiving. It is "disastrous" to expect them to do this, he declared.

These sentiments were echoed by Senators Robert Kasten of Wisconsin and Robert Packwood of Oregon. [Cont'd. on page 23]

Raps attacks on Begin

SHORT HILLS, N.J. —

Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel was hailed last week as "a great patriot and a proud Jew," the victim of "grossly unfair" attacks from abroad whose actions and motivations are "probed with a measure applied to one else."

(The praise for Israel's leader was voiced by Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, in an address at Congregation Bnai Jeshurun co-

sponsored by seven Reform and Conservative congregations in Essex County.

Rabbi Schindler told an audience of nearly 1,000 persons: "When Sadat was alive, he made some outrageous statements against Israel, but whenever he did the state department would urge us not to weigh his every word. He has to appease the other Arabs and the fundamentalists among his own people, we were told."

When President Mubarak refused to go to Jeru-

salem, again we were told: 'Be understanding of him; he can't afford to arouse internal opposition.'"

Schindler continued: "Should we not extend the same courtesy to Menachem Begin? He too faces internal pressures of no small consequence..."

The criticism from abroad directed against Mr. Begin is grossly unfair. The merit for the magnificent achievement of peace is Begin's, and his alone. He well earned the Nobel Peace Prize he shared with President Sadat.

Yiddish future hopeful

By WESLEY GOLDSTEIN

MONTREAL — More education and a more widespread use of the Yiddish language are the keys to the future survival of Yiddish culture, says author Elie Wiesel.

Speaking last week at the Shear Hashomayim Synagogue, the Boston-based writer said he is not pessimistic about the future of the language and claimed that no other language inspires so great a love and devotion among its progenitors.

Although it has gone through regional variations, he noted, Yiddish has remained pure in its form and has resisted assimilation.

Wiesel was in Montreal as the keynote speaker at the festive opening of the plenary of the World Council of Yiddish — the first time such a conference has been held outside Israel. The National Committee on Yiddish of Canadian Jewish Congress hosted the event. (A full report of the conference will be carried in the next issue of The CJN.)

An audience of more than 800 packed the synagogue's Bronfman Auditorium to attend the meeting, chaired by Itzhak Korn.

Speaking entirely in Yiddish, Wiesel said he rejects the ominous predictions of the future of this language, because Yiddish is too rooted in Jewish traditions and values to go by the wayside. But, he added, more efforts must be directed towards the continuation of the language and culture.

"All those who love Yiddish, its literature and its culture, must be mobilized. We must organize more education and understanding of this valuable part of our heritage, and it must be a priority," he stated.

Chairman Korn also stressed that education is the key to the future of Yiddish. He added that the time is now ripe because young people are becoming aware of their heritage and seeking to re-examine their spiritual roots.

"A lot of young people are interested in Yiddish now, that is why the main task of this conference is to develop a program to underline the importance of the language," Korn said. [Cont'd. on page 23]

ANALYSIS Egypt's Jerusalem stand affects talks on autonomy

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The autonomy talks, plagued by serious policy differences between Israel and Egypt, have run into yet another snag.

Last week, the Israeli cabinet announced that its chief negotiator, Interior Minister Yosef Burg, would not participate in any more talks unless Jerusalem was included as one of the three capitals where negotiations are held.

Egypt was just as firm. Kamal Hassan Ali, the Egyptian foreign minister, told a U.S. envoy who had been sent to the region to mediate the growing dispute that "it is impossible to hold the talks in Jerusalem."

The diplomat in question was Richard Fairbanks, who represents Washington in the 3-cornered autonomy negotiations over self-rule for the Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza. Fairbanks who was appointed recently, conferred with Egyptian and Israeli leaders in an attempt to get the discussions moving.

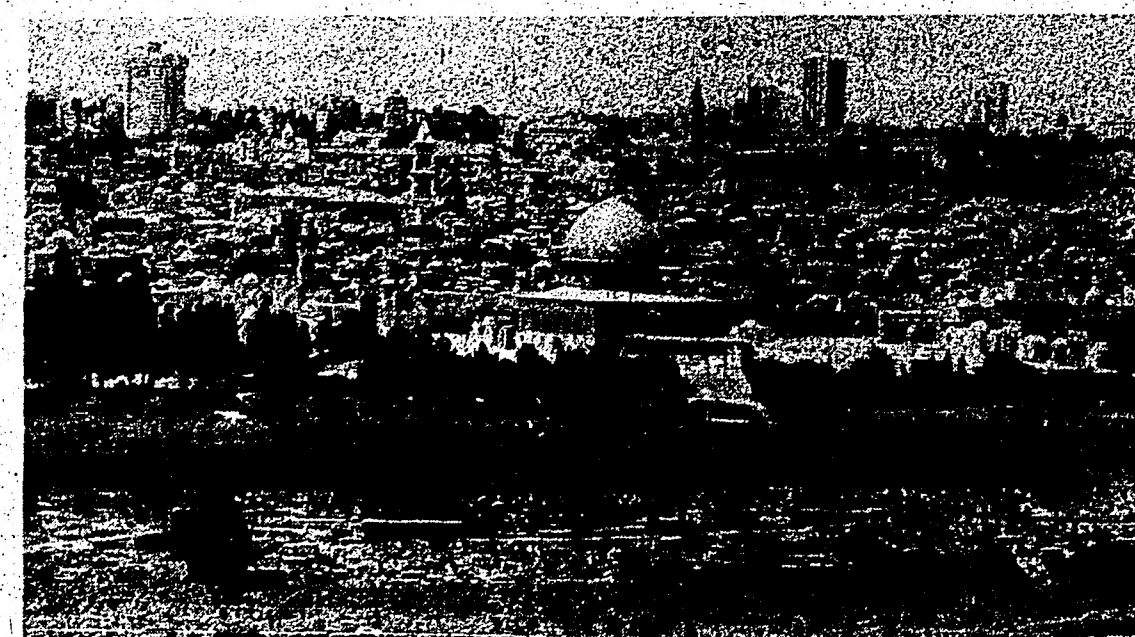
They have been going on for the past three years without much success. Problems have arisen because Israel and Egypt have such differing concepts of autonomy. The Israelis are willing to grant the 1.3 million Palestinians of the territories limited self-rule. The Egyptians want to give them legislative and judicial powers which would pave the way for an independent Palestinian state.

The Palestinians themselves have boycotted the talks. Jordan has also remained aloof.

Jerusalem has always been an extremely sensitive issue for Israel and the Arabs. And, as Fairbanks must well realize, the city's disputed status could seriously affect the whole carefully constructed enterprise.

If negotiations were to collapse over this matter, the entire Camp David process would be thrown into jeopardy, with all of its incalculable consequences.

Ironically, the talks have never taken place in Jerusalem. Sessions in Israel have been held in Tel Aviv or in



Jerusalem is centre of controversy because of Egypt's refusal to hold autonomy talks in Israel's capital. May 21 marks the 15th anniversary of the reunification of the city. (Uzi Keeren photo)

nearby Herzliya. Negotiators have also met in Washington and in the Cairo suburb of Giza.

Last month, possibly in reaction to the decision by Egypt's president not to visit Jerusalem, the Israelis served notice that their capital would have to be one of the venues in the future.

Egypt says that autonomy talks cannot be conducted in Jerusalem because one of the issues at stake is East Jerusalem, which Israel has annexed. Israel maintains that it will never relinquish East Jerusalem, nor will it permit the Arab residents of that quarter to take part in the negotiations.

Following the cabinet meeting last week, Prime Minister Menachem Begin

declared that, by refusing to send its delegation to Jerusalem, Egypt was responsible for the failure to resume the discussions.

The cabinet, in a communiqué, emphasized that Israel would not attend talks either in Washington or in Giza if Egypt did not alter its position. Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir elaborated: "We cannot agree to Jerusalem being boycotted... nor can we ourselves participate in such a boycott."

Under no circumstances, he added, would Israel agree to Egypt's demand.

Begin has proffered an olive branch in the form of an offer that the Egyptian delegates may stay where they wish when the talks are not in actual session.

Knesset committee must approve proposed Sabbath ban for El Al

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The Aguda Israel last week threatened to quit Premier Menachem Begin's coalition government unless his promise to ban El Al flights on the Sabbath is fulfilled. (CJN May 13).

The threat was made by the Aguda's Knesset faction after the Supreme Court ruled that the government could not impose the Sabbath

ban without approval of the Knesset's finance committee.

The finance committee must consider the ban in light of the law which requires government-owned corporations to operate according to sound economic principles. Aguda MK Shlomo Lorincz, who chairs the committee, said he did not permit it to discuss the issue because it was clear beforehand that the ban would not be "economical."

The Aguda insists the ban must be implemented on religious and moral grounds.

Avraham Shapiro, chairman of the coalition Knesset faction, said the Aguda would remain in the government only if all coalition partners endorsed the Sabbath ban and made it clear they were

not succumbing to religious pressures. Although Begin supports the ban, at least some members of Likud's Liberal Party wing are known to oppose it.

It is also opposed by El Al employees. Several thousand workers demonstrated at Ben Gurion Airport against the government's decision to impose the ban.

The workers, representing El Al, the Airport Authority and the Civil Aviation Administration, threatened to shut down Ben Gurion Airport to all carriers on the Sabbath if El Al is grounded. Such action would affect foreign airlines serving Israel.

Meanwhile, Deputy Prime Minister Simcha Erlich has said that, in the event of a clash between religious law and the interests of the state,

the latter must prevail, the London Jewish Chronicle reports.

"It is a starkly simple question to which we must face up," he declared. "Are we entering a new phase in the history of the state, a situation in which halacha begins to pervade all facets of life? It must be doubted whether we can retain the trappings of a modern state if halacha is all pervasive."

He listed a long string of Aguda demands which, he said, were all now coming to fulfillment. That was something he personally was having second thoughts about and he doubted very much whether the nation as a whole could afford or really bear the strain of a large scale secular-religious confrontation so soon after the divisive trauma of the Sinai evacuation.

Yom Hashoa is observed by Moscow synagogue

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Yom Hashoa was observed probably for the first time at the Moscow synagogue this year.

The service was suggested to the synagogue officials by Aba Beer of Montreal, national chairman of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, who recently returned from a trip to the Soviet Union.

Beer went to the Great Synagogue of Moscow on Archipova St., on Yom Hashoa, unannounced.

"There I saw the most extraordinary sight; an old man with a long, white beard like one of the patriarchs was reading from the Gemorrah. He was so nearsighted he had the book inches from his face."

Around him were about 20 men, some as young as about 25, listening to him read in Hebrew.

What was most extraordinary of all was that the chapter under discussion was the one of the great virtue of living in Israel.

The old man was a Rabbi Schwartzblatt; Chief Rabbi Fishman, Beer was told, is seriously ill. There followed a discussion, in Yiddish, on the chapter and what other sages had said about living in Israel, all in completely religious terms.

Beer informed Schwartzblatt that the following day

was Yom Hashoa. The rabbi was, of course, aware of the Holocaust but not of a religious observance associated with it, but he agreed to conduct the service.

"Apparently word traveled fast and the next morning there were over 100 people of all ages crammed into the daily chapel."

They said kaddish "for the martyrs of German fascism who died in the great war of the fatherland," (translation from Hebrew) — an apparently acceptable wording to any possible Soviet eavesdroppers.

Their tefillin, prayer shawls, siddurim and even the curtain of the Ark were donated by Rabbi Isaac Hechtman, executive vice-president of the Vaad HaR in Montreal. It was pointed out to Beer: "They had the highest praise for Rabbi Hechtman," says Beer.

Beer, who also speaks Russian, was told as most Western visitors are, that Moscow has a ritual slaughterer and that 300 tons of matzo's were baked this year.

Beer also went to the Kiev synagogue where the president told him that regular services are held, and at major holidays, like Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the synagogue is filled beyond capacity.

A darker side of Jewish life in the Soviet Union was revealed to Beer in his conversations with Leonid Scharansky and Refusenik Lev Blitshtein in Moscow.

Scharansky said the family has received no communication from his brother Anatoly for four months. Their mother, Ida Milgrom, was at the time on her way to Chistopol prison to inquire how her son was. (Barbara Stern, chairman of the Montreal Committee for Soviet Jewry, later told The Canadian Jewish News that Scharansky was in solitary confinement for not fulfilling his work quota.)

In his last letter, Leonid said his brother had informed them he was ill.

Leonid Scharansky also said he has lost his job as an engineer recently, with no reason given.

Blitshtein was chief administrator of the meat and dairy ministry, before he applied for an exit visa in 1974. His wife and two children were permitted to leave at that time and they live in New York.

Blitshtein told Beer he was grateful for the moral support he has received from the West, as are all Refuseniks. While the Refuseniks are in the public limelight, they can live in relative safety, he told him.



Zabin Mehta is conducting the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra at Toronto's Massey Hall on May 29. See story on page 14. For feature on IPO, turn to page 5.

World-National

Overruling of Sarnia mayor vindicates community efforts

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

The city of Sarnia does not have a large Jewish population. Estimates put it at 40 families. They have had a low profile in their community; their major bid for public visibility would come on every Israel Independence Day when (with the exception of last year when the matter was overlooked) an Israeli flag was raised at city hall.

This year, however, matters were very much different. Sarnia's Mayor Marcel Saddy is of Lebanese origin and, basing himself on a council resolution of 1972 which gave the mayor the right to decide on flag raisings, refused to give his permission for the hoisting of an Israeli flag. His parents' homeland, he said, was being exposed to "indiscriminate bombing" by the Israelis, and he further charged that the latter had "an absolute disdain for municipal government." Hence he felt that the raising of their flag would be inappropriate.

The Jewish community was up in arms but did not at first know how to proceed. They were of two minds. While they wanted to launch a public protest it was clear that any confrontation of this kind would have a negative fallout. After considering the matter and after soliciting outside advice, Sarnia's Jews decided to mount a strong protest.

A special meeting of city council was called during which heated arguments were flung about. The mayor was dubbed "an idiot" by some, and he in turn was reported to have called the Jews "agents of a foreign country." In the end, council voted 6 to 1 to allow the raising of the flag. Sarnia's newspaper The Observer featured the story on its front page and wrote a strong supportive editorial, and so did the London Free

Press. Altogether it was a clearcut win for a good cause.

However, controversies of this sort do not come without a price tag. It is in the nature of such controversies that they polarize opinions in the community. People took sides for or against Israel, for or against Jews, and did so not necessarily on the basis of rational considerations. Therefore, even though the Jewish community scored a victory in Sarnia's city council and in the press, the position of Mayor Saddy was not [one may suspect] without support amongst the citizens. In political matters and public relations there is never any advance without some cost.

I am sure that Sarnia's Jewish citizens took this into consideration, and I am glad their case was vindicated in so striking a manner. Even more important than the desired result was the effect which the process had on the small Jewish community itself. Ordinarily a quiet, retiring group, they felt the urge to defend their identity and to proclaim publicly their love for Israel. They did this courageously and without apology. The very fact that they decided to proceed — even in the face of possible defeat — helped to give them a sense of inner strength.

To an outside observer like myself the raising of the flag was an important public symbol. The real victory came in the hearts and the souls of Sarnia's Jewish citizens. They put themselves to the test and they emerged greatly strengthened.

Writes a keen observer of the local scene: "It is certainly refreshing and heartening at this point in history when Israel is so devoid of friends, to find such an overwhelming positive response in a city like Sarnia from the council, press and others. This is rare especially in the city where there had not been the very best inter-faith relationships, where the Jewish community had always felt a high degree of isolation."

I do not believe that we have heard the end of the matter. One confrontation usually spawns another. Meanwhile, however, Sarnia's Jews will be very much better equipped to respond.



Rabbi Plaut



Melvin Zwaig (right), with student resident of BGU's Canada House dormitories

Patriation of constitution celebrated at BGU campus

BEERSHEBA — As Canada was welcoming the Queen and celebrating the patriation of its constitution, Canada Day was being observed in Israel.

Joining the jubilation "back at home," a group of Canadians representing the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University was doing the same at Beersheba.

April 18 was Canada Day on the campus of Ben-Gurion University, when Canadian delegates to the 12th annual meeting of the University's board of governors, headed by Melvin C. Zwaig of Montreal, national president of the Associates, dedicated the Oelbaum Day Care Centre and the Canada House student dormitory.

The day care centre was contributed by the Oelbaum family of Toronto, three generations of whom were present: Lilly Oelbaum, her son Ronald and his son Jordan. This ceremony, in which Canadian ambassador to Israel Joseph Stanford participated, was presided over by Harry Walsh of Winnipeg, senior vice-president of the Associates.

The dedication of Canada House, erected with the contributions of a group of Montreal donors, was chaired by Zwaig, Stanford, as well as University president Shlomo Gazit, extended greetings.

Michael Herling of Montreal, national treasurer of the Associates, unveiled the plaque and Cyril Reitman, president of the Montreal branch, cut the ribbon at the dormitory. At the conclusion of his address, Stanford

presented a Canadian flag to a representative of the students in residence in the dormitory to be flown there annually on Dominion Day.

During lunch Anne

Labor's love lost

JERUSALEM (JCN) — A serious division has arisen between the Swedish and the Israeli Labor Parties, following the withdrawal of an invitation to a delegation from the Israel Labor Party to attend the May Day celebrations in Sweden.

Two days before the Israeli delegation was due to leave for Sweden, Sten Andersson, the secretary of the Swedish party, sent a cable to Shimon Peres, leader of the Israel Labor Party, suggesting that the visit should be postponed.

The move was taken in protest at the Israeli actions in southern Lebanon and on the West Bank. Political commentators in Stockholm have expressed some surprise at the cancellation of the visit, since the Israel Labor Party is not a

member of the Likud-led government.

In his cable, Andersson also expressed his concern for the safety of the Israeli delegation, because representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization would be participating in the May Day celebrations.

At the same time, a delegation from the Histadrut (Israel Labour Federation) is in Stockholm as guests of their Swedish counterpart. They participated in the May Day celebrations.

Peres has reacted angrily to the cancellation of the Israeli delegation visit.

In a cable to Olof Palme, the leader of the Swedish Labor Party and former prime minister, Peres called the move an act against international solidarity and against the state of Israel.

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Call for inquiry opposed by Labor

Arlosoroff killing stirs Israel again

By SHELTON KIRSHNER

Assassinated 49 years ago as he walked with his wife along Tel Aviv's seashore, Chaim Arlosoroff was only 34 when he died.

Most Israelis have not the slightest inkling of who he was. But of late, they have begun to find out.

Arlosoroff, one of the brightest stars in the pre-state Labor Party, may have become Prime Minister of Israel had he lived. When Labor, or Mapai, was founded in 1930, he was appointed as one of its spokesmen. A staunch ally of Chaim Weizmann, who was to be the first President of Israel, Arlosoroff was destined for a great career.

Like Weizmann, he was a practical Zionist who believed that gradualism was the key to building a Jewish state in Palestine. He thought it was politi-

cally wise and expedient to co-operate with the British, who administered Palestine, and he favored some sort of an under standing with the Arabs.

In modern terms, Arlosoroff was a moderate Zionist, a pragmatic realist, and thus he did not endeavor himself to Revisionist Zionists, who were more radically inclined.

Three Revisionists — Abba Ahimeir, Zvi Rosenblatt and Abraham Stavsky — were accused of killing Arlosoroff. Ahimeir and Rosenblatt were acquitted by a district court and Stavsky was acquitted by the Supreme Court. Revisionist leaders welcomed the decisions but charged that the accusations were biased and unfair. Their Labor Party counterparts, notably David Ben-Gurion, remained convinced that the



Chaim Arlosoroff

Revisionist movement was behind the assassination.

Two months ago, with the mystery of Arlosoroff's killing still unsolved, the Israeli government decided to establish a national commission to inquire into the murky affair. Menachem Begin, who was a 20-year-old Revisionist youth leader in Poland when Arlosoroff fell, initiated the inquiry.

In 1973, when he was leader of the Opposition, he failed to convince the Labor government to probe the matter. The then Prime Minister, Golda Meir, urged Begin to drop his request, and he did. Nine years later, he brought up the issue again.

Begin, aware that Labor leaders still blame the Revisionists for the crime, reportedly spoke of the need "to clear the air once and for all of the blood libel." Two of his colleagues, Interior Minister Yosef Burg and Minister without Portfolio Yitzhak Mordechai, argued that a commission would serve little purpose and only add salt to old wounds. But they were overruled.

The Labor Party has been more emphatic in its rejection of an inquiry. Shimon Peres, its chief, described the move as a "ludicrous decision"

designed to rewrite history.

Responding to Peres' remark, Milo, a well-known Likud Knesset member, said that "a matter of principle" was involved. The Arlosoroff murder, he added, "was used as blatant blood libel, not only against the whole Revisionist movement, but against three individuals. The wrong can only be righted by a full impartial investigation."

Shabtai Tevet, a leading Israeli journalist who has just written a book about the Arlosoroff incident, told reporters he was surprised by Begin's decision to reshuffle the matter.

Nearly all the personalities involved in it are no longer alive, he said. "... it is clear that such an inquiry... can accomplish nothing." The government, Tevet declared, was trying to enter the field of historical research.

Tevet's book, which is not appreciated in Likud circles, is the product of years of investigation. He makes no conclusion as to who gunned down Arlosoroff. But Likud stalwarts

belonging to Begin's Herut faction think it evokes "uneasiness and suspicions" about the affair.

The reverberations from the charges and counter-charges have already engulfed Israel's Supreme Court.

Late last month, the court of last resort rejected a petition filed privately by a Jerusalem lawyer who opposed the cabinet's decision. No reason was given for the rejection.

Meanwhile, Arlosoroff's son told Israel Radio that he doubts whether a commission under the aegis of the present government can "reach the truth." As he put it: "I do not believe that any significant new evidence has come to light regarding the murder that can in any way shake the existing judicial rulings of the past."

Shaul Arlosoroff's comments have had no effect. Begin, determined to get to the bottom of the conundrum, is committed to the commission, the three members of which will be chosen by the Supreme Court.

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Zwaig is elected new vice-chairman of BGU government

By BEERSHEBA

At its recent 12th annual meeting, Melvin C. Zwaig of Montreal, president of the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, was elected vice-chairman of the university's international board of governors.

Zwaig, president of Thorne, Riddell Inc., the Canadian-based international accounting firm, joins Lord George-Weideneff of London, England, and Shimon Peres, leader of the Israeli opposition party, who were also elected as vice-chairmen of the board. All vice-chairmen will serve under Baron Nathaniel de Rothschild, who is the chairman of the board.

In accepting the post, Zwaig declared that his election represents the clearest recognition yet of the importance of the Canadian Associates to the University. It demonstrates, he said, that "the Canadian Associates have succeeded in the last half dozen years to establish for Ben-Gurion University an imposing presence on



Melvin Zwaig

Question: Have you ever heard of a birthday party?

The Lubavitcher Rebbe shlita celebrated his 80th birthday, and his followers gathered to rejoice in the festival.

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Responding to Peres' remark Milo, a well-known Likud Knesset member, said that "a matter of principle" was involved. The Arlosoroff murder, he added, "was used as blatant blood libel, not only against the whole Revisionist movement, but against three individuals. The wrong can only be righted by a full impartial investigation."

Shabtai Tevet, a leading Israeli journalist who has just written a book about the Arlosoroff incident, told reporters he was surprised by Begin's decision to reshuffle the matter. "I do not believe that any significant new evidence has come to light regarding the murder that can in any way shake the existing judicial rulings of the past."

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belonging to Begin's Herut faction think it evokes "uneasiness and suspicions" about the affair.

The reverberations from the charges and counter-charges have already engulfed Israel's Supreme Court.

Late last month, the court of last resort rejected a petition filed privately by a Jerusalem lawyer who opposed the cabinet's decision. No reason was given for the rejection.

Meanwhile, Arlosoroff's son has told Israel Radio that he doubts whether a commission under the aegis of the present government can "reach the truth." As he put it: "I do not believe that any significant new evidence has come to light regarding the murder that can in any way shake the existing judicial rulings of the past."

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By RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: Have you ever heard of a rabbi having a birthday party?

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How do I know about what was happening in the rabbi's throat and eyes? It was my birthday celebration.

Zwaig is elected new vice-chairman of BGU governors

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At its recent 12th annual meeting, Melvin C. Zwaig of Montreal, president of the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, was elected vice-chairman of the university's international board of governors.

Zwaig, president of Thorne, Ridder, Inc., the Canadian-based international accountancy firm, joins Lord George-Weideneff of London, England, and Shimon Peres, leader of the Israeli opposition party, who were also elected as vice-chairmen of the board. All vice-chairmen will serve under Baron Nathaniel de Rothschild, who is the chairman of the board.

In accepting the post, Zwaig declared that his election represents the clearest recognition yet of the importance of the Canadian Associates to the University. It demonstrates, he said, that "the Canadian Associates have succeeded in the last half dozen years to establish for Ben-Gurion University an imposing presence on



Rabbi Burak

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

Rami Gutt tries harder. The 6 ft. 5 in. former basketball player on Israel's national basketball team has been the director-general of the Israel Export Institute for the past 3 1/2 years. He is now on a tour across Canada to promote the sale of Israel's industrial and consumer goods.

"When you are number one, like the United States, the Made-in-USA label is enough to do business. But that is not enough for us in Israel, we have to sell harder," he said. Gutt recently addressed a group of govern-

ment trade officials and private businessmen at First Canadian Place. The meeting was sponsored by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

On his 10-day cross-country blitz in Toronto, Montreal, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver, Gutt has several messages for Canadian government officials, investors, industrialists, manufacturers and commercial operators:

(1) Israel is a first-class producer of high technology as well as consumer goods; (2) Israel is very receptive to investment and joint research and development and offers incentives and re-



Rami Gutt

search opportunities that have already attracted several hundred overseas companies. Among the more well-known are

Motorola, Chromalloy American, Control Data and General Telephone and Electronics; and (3) Canada is now seen as a separate and distinct market, no longer an adjunct to the larger U.S. market.

Gutt also means to give a higher profile to the Israel Export Institute, a non-profit organization that acts as a central exchange for information and assistance, not only for Israeli exports, but for foreign governments and businesses operating in Israel.

Altogether, there are about 2,500 exporters in Israel and about 1,800, including the major exporters, are members of the export institute. Gutt said that about 100 new exporters have recently joined. Last year, the new members alone exported \$40-million worth of products.

Explaining why Israel has not been able to put full effort into developing trade with Canada up until now, Gutt said that Israel was a small nation that first concentrated on trade with the European market, not only because it was closer, but because, after 1957 when the European Economic Community was formed, it offered a free trade area for Israel to join.

About 70% of Israel's total exports are sold in the EEC, about 19% to North America (overwhelmingly in the United States), and the remainder to other countries, said Gutt. Altogether, Israel exports to about 70 countries.

Bilateral Israel-Canada trade last year amounted to close to \$200-million, still relatively little when compared to more than \$1.25-billion done with the United States.

But the future is looking brighter than ever for stepped-up trade between Israel and Canada, said Gutt, a former commercial attaché in the Netherlands and director of Israeli investments in Europe.

He says Israel intends to concentrate on the export of medical equipment and supplies — because of Canada's expanding medical and health care institutions — as well as trying to sell electronic technology where Israel's international reputation is already well-established. Gutt disclosed to The

CJN that, although Japan is the centre of robotics in the world, Israel's knowledge in the field is considered highly respectable. In fact, he said, Japan is now negotiating with Israel to share knowledge in this field.

Gutt suggested that anyone who wants to know anything about selling or investing in Israel should

first contact the local Israeli trade mission, which will then inform the IEL.

The IEL provides information on all manner of consumer and industrial goods, as well as giving specialized services in promotion and exhibitions, transportation and marketing services.

IEL promotions include special "Israel Weeks" in

large shopping malls and industrial trade fairs. Last year, about 600 Israeli manufacturers and companies exhibited in 50 international events.

A major promotion of Israeli products is now being planned in Toronto, but details have been withheld pending finalization, said Gutt. It was disclosed, however, that

both Olympia and York Developments Ltd. and the Israeli consulate will be sponsoring an Israel program called, "From the Heart of Israel," at First Canadian Place from May 26 to June 4. It will include a audio-visual show as well as a wide display of Israeli consumer goods and arts and crafts.

Montreal's Nicki Lang to head continental Maccabi organization

MONTREAL —

Nicki Lang, chef de mission of the 1981 Canadian Maccabiah team, has been named chairman of the new North American Continental Organization of the Maccabi World Union. In taking this position, he automatically also becomes a vice-chairman of the Union for the next four years.

The North American body was created as a result of the United States recent application and approval as a member of the Union. The U.S. was the only participant in the Maccabiah Games that was not a Union member.

Lang's appointment was announced at the 19th Congress of the Maccabi World Union in Israel. The premiere of the film on

11th Maccabiah Games in 1981, produced by Sidney Greenberg, of Toronto, was held during the Congress.

The 12th Maccabiah

Games will be held July 15-25, 1985. A new youth division, for athletes 14 years and under, will compete for the first time at these Games.

Canada has participated in the Maccabiah Games since 1950. In the 1981 Games, Canada earned 34 medals, the highest number ever.



Nicki Lang, centre, is pictured at recent Maccabi dedication in Israel.

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Grant for Jewish input in anti-racism program

MONTREAL —

Canadian Jewish Congress has received the first instalment of a \$40,000 grant from the federal government to allow Jewish community input into the multiculturalism ministry's program to combat racism in this country.

The check was delivered personally to the CJC national office recently by Treasury Board president Donald Johnston.

CJC will shortly appoint a committee of lawyers, academics and other human rights experts to draw up a paper on race relations and the law in Canada.

CJC president Irwin Cotler, as well as Joint Community Relations Committee director Ben Kayfetz of Toronto and Fred Zemans, also of Toronto, chairman of the CJC law and social action committee, attended the government's recent conference on race relations and the law, held in Vancouver.

The anti-racism program, based at the Ontario Institute for Studies of Education, is both preventive and practical in nature. Representatives of ethnic groups, human rights organizations and legal experts will assess the nature of racism in

Canada, and develop an educational program for the schools to sensitize children to the evils of prejudice.

The program will also look at racism from a legal point of view — that is, what recourses in law are open to the victim of racism. A manual will be published offering advice to those whose rights have been abused.

The CJC committee will analyze federal and provincial legislation dealing with the rights of the individual as well as investigate Canada's international treaty obligations in the human rights area.



Donald Johnston presents government grant to CJC national executive director Stan Urman (left) and president Irwin Cotler. Looking on is Ben Prossin (right) of Halifax, a CJC vice-chairman. (Howard Kay photo)

Fear of Peronist return said factor in support of Galtieri

BUENOS AIRES

(JCNIS) — The Jews of Argentina are supporting their government's current position in the Falkland Island crisis because they fear that the fall of President Leopoldo Galtieri would lead to the re-emergence of forces loyal to the late President Juan Peron, which most Argentine Jews consider both anti-Jewish and anti-Israel.

This was disclosed by a six-member group belonging to the American Jewish Committee which recently returned from a fact-finding tour of South America.

During the tour, the group met the presidents of Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Uruguay as well as Jewish leaders and church dignitaries.

Howard Friedman, the chairman of the AJC's board of governors, said that in the group's meeting with President Galtieri and General Alfredo Saint Jean, the Argentine inter-

rior minister, both claimed that the country's Jews enjoyed full political and religious freedom.

"There are no problems" with regard to the Argentine Jewish community," the President told the AJC group.

However, the group presented him with evidence of blatantly anti-semitic material which had been distributed in Argentina and of the increase in the number of anti-semitic incidents.

The group also noted that there were no Jewish officers, diplomats or judges in Argentina. President Galtieri expressed "surprise" at this and promised to take steps to improve the situation.

Meanwhile four Argentine Jews who have been held as political prisoners by the government are about to be released.

The four prisoners are Juan Alberto Epstein, Ana Esther Koldorf, Mario Jaime Zaraceansky and Claudia Kohn.

All four were on a list of

13 Jewish prisoners which the American Jewish Committee handed to General Saint Jean.

The other names on the list will be reviewed later this month by the Argentine authorities.

Calls on Ottawa

Due to a typographical error, there was an incorrect word used in the lead paragraph of the story in the May 13 CJN on the Canadian Council of Liberal Congresses biennial convention.

The paragraph should have read: The CCLC, the representative body of more than 7,000 Reform Jewish families in Can-

ada, has called on the federal government to re-evaluate its nuclear programs and assume a higher international profile against the sale of nuclear technology to unstable regimes.

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COMMENT
All are targets

The appalling spectacle of professed Muslims shouting "Death to Begin" on Toronto's Nathan Phillips Square during a recent religious service is a sober reminder that mindless fanaticism is no longer a phenomenon we associate with wild foreign regimes.

Even if we can dismiss the lunatic fringe which staged their demonstration as unrepresentative of sincere Muslims, the broader question still remains about the nexus between fanaticism and terrorism.

Canadian Jews have been spared the outrageous breaches of public security that our brethren in France, Belgium and Holland have undergone. PLO-sponsored attacks on Jewish institutions remain a largely European problem.

The disquieting note in this discussion, however, is the PLO's readiness in recent months to launch murderous assaults against synagogues and other Jewish organizations. The Rue Copernic explosion

was merely the beginning of an ominous series of terrorist acts against communal organizations.

The reason terrorists are now seeking "soft" targets such as schools and synagogues is because the "hard" ones — Israeli embassies, consulates and legations — have become impregnable to terrorist incursions. The murder of an Israeli diplomat in Paris last month was away from the Israeli embassy.

The terrorists have not given up; they have shifted their energies to less well protected symbols of Jewish life. In Mexico City this month a bomb scare at a local Tarbut Hebrew elementary school forced an evacuation of the school body.

Without sounding excessively alarmist, it must be noted that the Canadian Jewish community and its institutions should never think that PLO terrorism has exempted them. Vigilance is demanded in assuring the security of our organizations.

No ivory towers here

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency reported recently the disappointment felt by the organized U.S. Jewish community over the non-involvement of Jewish academics in communal life.

The situation was described as shocking, given the fact that there are probably more than 50,000 Jewish professors teaching in American universities and colleges. The vast majority of them, the JTA report indicated, refuse to have any involvement with the Jewish community.

The absence of such a reservoir of learning in community decisions will, according to observers, affect the healthy growth of U.S. Jews.

A Chinese bagel?

China's Cultural Revolution, a time of wrenching instability, is an embarrassing episode for Chinese leaders today. But let them never forget that the Cultural Revolution gave birth to a unique phenomenon — the Chinese bagel.

Sidney Shapiro, an American Jew who has lived in China since 1947, took to baking bagels while searching for "spiritual solace" during the terrible years of the Cultural Revolution. The bagel-making process relaxed his nerves. It took his mind off the ugly realities of politics. Now Sidney Shapiro bakes the only bagels in Peking, and he has passed on his priceless knowledge to his housekeeper.

In this the beginning of something big?

Diary of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On May 26, 1946, Dr. Marcel Petiot was executed by guillotine for the murder of more than 150 people, many of them Jews, to whom he had offered safety during the Nazi occupation.

Petiot was discharged from the French army after World War I for mental instability. During the prolonged period of his examination, he resumed and completed his medical studies with top marks.

Petiot began his practice in the country town of Villeneuve, where his ambition, charm, and energy, as well as the implementation of the latest medical techniques, made him its most prominent citizen. He married well, took up politics, and within a few years became the mayor.

He also murdered two mistresses, the second because she would not go along with his schemes to rob the dairy she managed. In a grisly pattern he was to exploit on a much larger scale later on, Petiot dissected their bodies and disposed of them piece by piece.

Political foes stirring up lingering suspicions against him, Petiot and his devoted family moved to Paris. The Nazi invasion of 1940 caused streams of refugees to leave the city and real estate prices to plummet. Petiot bought up numerous properties in the city, including a small apartment building at 21 Rue Le Sueur.

From 1941 on, neighbors noticed peculiar goings-on. Many people would enter, but only their guide, a tall loping figure, was ever seen to emerge. There were screams for help in the night. The smoke from the chimney was often particularly thick, black and stinking. Parts of bodies were found in

nearby sewers.

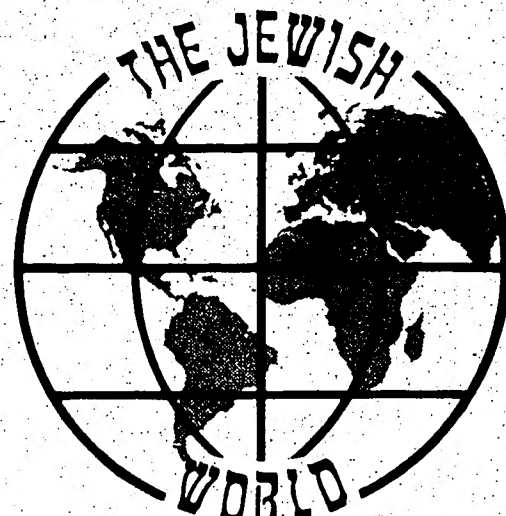
The fact that 21 Le Sueur was virtually bordered by a German army supply warehouse, gestapo headquarters, a military police building, and the offices of the French gestapo made neighbors jump at apparently obvious conclusions and also inhibited inquiry. It was not until March, 1944 that a woman complained to the police about foul smoke blowing continuously into her apartment.

Found on the upper floors were valuable antiques, paintings and furniture of every description stacked in piles. In the basement, police made a horrible discovery: sections of human bodies — in mounds on the floor, in sacks, and smoldering in the furnace itself. Nearby was a bag containing 11 pounds of human hair.

Petiot was caught trying to flee Paris, and was jailed. He admitted to the murders confidentially to the chief witness against him, the Paris coroner who managed to reconstruct the bodies of 86 of his victims. The same coroner, Dr. Paul, had broken the Bluebeard Landru case, in which a man murdered several wives in succession, a generation earlier.

Petiot said he promised his victims a passage out of occupied France, getting them to entrust him with their money, valuables and household goods. He killed them by injection — a necessary vaccination, as he explained — singly or in groups of two or three. Besides Jews, his victims included criminals and others who had run afoul of the German authorities.

Petiot's estate numbered 51 real estate holdings, including castles, villas, hotels and vineyards, and \$14 million in cash. No trace of the latter was ever found.

Czech Communist Party attacks Judaism;
The life and times of a Jewish gangster

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Czech Communist Party recently attacked Judaism and warned the Jewish community not to dabble in "cultural Zionism."

Tribuna, the ideological weekly of the party, ran a major feature under a headline reading "Jews — Religion — Zionism."

"Whilst Judaism is the concept of conscience of an originally corporate slave society incorporating the habits and prejudices of a tribal group, Zionism represents the ideology, as well as the practices, of Jewish capital out of the period of imperialism. They are linked with each other by the exploitative positions and aims related to social and class distinctions."

The International Council of Jews from Czechoslovakia, which released this information, says Tribuna concluded its diatribe by noting: "The Jewish faith, in particular Torah and Talmud, sanctifies the exploitation of man by man. Its ideal of man... is the 'humble slave deprived of all human dignity.' Talmudic literature comprises unscientific views on nature and the life of man. Even the great Jewish thinkers... for this reason subjected the Judaic religion to crushing criticism and condemned its inhumanity. It is for these characteristics that ideological Judaism has developed into one of the fundamental pillars of Zionism."

Meanwhile, the Czech State Council for Religious Affairs has told Jewish communal leaders not to give "free scope" to cultural Zionism in their monthly magazine.

The Czechs are apparently irked because the publication has carried stories about cultural and religious development in Western Jewish communities. The party prefers Czech Jews to maintain little or no contact with Jews in the Diaspora.

Things Jewish are played down by the government. Consider these stories. The International Council of Jews from Czechoslovakia claims that references to the pre-World War II Jewish community have been almost completely banned from historical publications.

A West German bookseller recently ordered books on a Nazi occupation and on local histories of towns which had substantial Jewish populations. He received this reply: "In the case of publications that have appeared in the late 1950s and now, there is no trace of a reference to Jews of any substance, nor do indices of such publications provide a lead for this specific subject."

No evidence exists to suggest that the Czechs have knowingly banished such references, but there is something bizarre about the whole affair.

Greville Janner, the president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, went to Czechoslovakia recently. In the Terezin concentration camp, he found scant evidence of the fact that Jews had perished there. He spoke to his Czech interlocutors and they informed him that the government intends to open a museum to commemorate the martyrdom of Jews who died at the hands of the Nazis in that camp.

According to the latest information, Czechoslovakia is home to some 6,000 Jews. On the eve of the Holocaust, there were 360,000 Czech Jews.

The International Council of Jews from Czechoslovakia reports that Jews reside in nearly 200 localities throughout the country — 103 in Bohemia, 52 in Moravia and 45 in Slovakia. The study is based on an analysis of some 5,000 birthday announcements and obituaries which appeared in Prague's Jewish monthly, Vestník, between 1968 and 1981.

In the central Chinese city of Kaifeng, 500 miles southeast of Peking, a man of Jewish origin recalled the Passover his father used to observe many years ago. He told his story to Michael Weisskopf of The Washington Post.

When he was a boy, Shi Zhongyu's father, a rich landlord from a Mandarin family of scholars and officials, would mark the Chinese spring festival by rising at dawn. He would don a blue beanie and black coat and proceed to bake flat, tasteless wheat cakes and to prepare a large bowl of sweet mutton soup. He then would paint chicken blood or bright red dye on top of his front gate.

He was celebrating his ancestors' "crossing over" from slavery to the promised land, and the flat bread, sweet soup and chicken blood were all symbolic reminders of this passage.

Shi Zhongyu was a direct descendant of a once-thriving colony of Jews in Kaifeng who eventually blended into Chinese society while upholding their religious identities. His forebears came to China hundreds or perhaps thousands of years ago. By 1163, they had built a synagogue in Earth Market Street, in the centre of Kaifeng.

The synagogue was destroyed by flooding or fire three times and rebuilt after each disaster. In the 1860s, finding themselves impoverished, the Jews dismantled it and sold off its timber and stone to pay for food. Today a hospital occupies the site.

Shi Zhongyu's son, who is in his 60s, told

Weisskopf that his mother would show him portraits of his great grandparents and say, "Your ancestors came from abroad. Look at them. They look different from Chinese. 'Then she'd say, 'Now look at yourself. Look at your nose. It's rather big. It's a typical Jewish nose. Just like your ancestors.'"

The son acknowledged his roots but does not care for them very much. Last spring, an American couple visiting Kaifeng invited him to an impromptu Passover dinner at their hotel. "To tell the truth," he was quoted as saying, "I don't have any deep feelings about being a Jew. Sometimes, I ask myself, 'Am I a Jew?' The answer is yes. But as a Chinese, I feel like I am the descendant of the Yellow Emperor."

In the northern Chinese city of Harbin, where a colony of 10,000 Russian Jews once prospered, there is only one Jew left, according to The Jewish Chronicle News Service.

She is Hannah Ager, 73, the JCNS quotes a story which appeared in the South China Morning Post. She was born in Harbin but her parents were from Siberia. Many years ago, she divorced her Russian sea captain husband. All her sisters and brothers have died.

For the last 36 years, she has lived in a room on the first floor of an old synagogue building, which the authorities converted into offices and flats. A Soviet citizen, she does not wish to leave. She lives on a meagre stipend provided by the Chinese government and a Jewish charity in Hong Kong. Her Tartar servant died two years ago, and his room nearby has been sealed off, as is the custom, with white paper. Inside are piles of documents containing records of Harbin's Jewish community.

The Joint Distribution Committee of New York reports that only 17 Jewish families now live in Afghanistan. On Passover, JDC shipped matzah to them. The shipment was picked up in time for seders in the cities of Herat and Kabul.

JDC this year sent matzah, matzah meal, wine, cooking oil, macaroons and other Passover foods, totaling 415,000 pounds, to 30 countries, including Greece, Czechoslovakia, Romania, Poland, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Spain, Portugal, Egypt and the Spanish dependencies of Melilla and Ceuta in Morocco.

The Polish government has announced that it will commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising next year with impressive ceremonies on the site of the former ghetto.

The Association of Polish Jewish War Veterans and associations of ghetto survivors will be asked to participate.

The West Germans recently watched the first of a 6-part German-made TV film based on the experiences of a Holocaust survivor. It was broadcast on the ARD national network. Entitled A Piece of

Heaven, it was adapted from the book by Janina David, the only member of her family to live through the Holocaust.

The story is autobiographical, following the life of David in Nazi-occupied Poland. German commentators wonder whether A Piece of Heaven will have the same powerful impact as Holocaust, which galvanized the country.

Ms. David, who published her book in 1965, lives in London.

David is billed as the first German film about the Holocaust, but it is not. A few years ago, the East Germans released a film on the lives of Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto called Jacob The Liar, and it was quite an effective movie. David, which opened in Toronto last week, is not as good.

Peter Lilienthal focuses on a German Jewish family coping with mounting anti-Semitism. There is human drama in David, but the script drags, and the central characters seem strangely hollow. At 106 minutes long, David could have used some editing.

Still, it is a fairly important film, in an era when the events of the Holocaust are fast receding from memory.

David Berman, in the words of a New York detective quoted by The New York Times, was "the toughest Jew I ever met." The son of an immigrant rabbi from Russia, he was a gangster par excellence, one of the founders of the Syndicate — the crime network — and a confidant of Meyer Lansky, Frank Costello and Bugsy Siegel.

He was a gambler, a bootlegger, a bank robber and a Las Vegas casino owner. He had a lot of enemies but he died a natural death.

In Easy Street (Doubleday, \$18.50), his daughter, Susan, traces his career and recalls him as a man. A journalist, Berman was somewhat acquainted with her father's less than desirable exploits, but she knew very little about him. Easy Street, a readable book, is her attempt at redressing this gap in her knowledge.

He was born in a North Dakota town called Ashley and grew up in Sioux City. "Jews in the Midwest in the early 1900s had three options if they wanted to succeed," she writes. "They could boot their noses and change their names and pass for gentiles, they could go into men's wear, or they could go into gambling. My father chose gambling and all it spawned."

He organized crap games and, in the 1920s, ran a bootlegging operation with the Purple Gang of Detroit. In the 1930s, he defended his gambling empire in Minneapolis by Chicago Italians, particularly Al Capone's gang. Berman's brother, Chickie, was associated with him.

In time, Berman became one of the principal owners of Las Vegas' Riviera and



Scene from David

Flamingo hotels. Almost single-handedly, he and his associates developed Las Vegas into the tourist attraction it is today. A Jew close to his roots, he founded Las Vegas' first synagogue.

As a child, Susan Berman knew nothing about how he earned a living. "... he fabricated a childhood for me that seemed all-American and completely normal. ... He was determined that the sins of the father would never be visited upon his child."

Glady's, her mother, was tormented by her husband's occupation. And this destroyed her. "She knew that we were living on the enchanted edge of a dark reality," Glady's Berman fell into a depression from which she never emerged, and the impact on her husband was devastating.

Berman died in 1957 at the age of 53. Three years later, Susan began to investigate his life, a task she did not complete until quite recently. She says she feels much better now that she knows the real David Berman. "I am filled most of all with a sense of wonder at who my father was. I had thought I knew him so well, yet I was privy to none of his secrets..." she writes. "Yet for me, the truth has been easier to deal with than all the years of uncertainty. I feel freed at last, no longer captive of an unknown heritage."

Speaking about the Falklands,
Sholem Aleichem once wrote...

By J.B. SALSBERG

To tell the truth, I feel that the Falkland Islands aren't worth the life or limb of a single soldier — British or Argentinian. The tens of thousands of sheep that constitute the entire economy for the 1,800 British who inhabit that God-forsaken place would continue to graze and reproduce themselves under British or Argentinian "sovereignty."

The whole unsavory affair that might, however, lead to an extensive slaughter, not of sheep but of human beings, reminds me of Sholem Aleichem's beautiful monologue called If I Were Rothschild.

The impoverished melamed in a small Eastern European town daydreams of what he would do if he were Rothschild, whom Jews considered the richest man in the world.

First, he would redeem his candlesticks from the pawnbroker; second, he would give his wife enough money to purchase everything necessary for Shabbos; then he would fix the leaking roof of the synagogue; then he would fix the community bath house so that people wouldn't be in danger of falling and breaking their necks.

Finally, he would approach the Russian czar and the Japanese king, who were engaged in a bitter war (1904), and say to them: You talk of territory etc., but

what you mean is money; so here, you czar, here's a million and here, you Japanese king, here is a million for you and stop the war. Stop killing and let there be peace.

Alas, what is involved in the Falklands tragedy is more than sheep, more than "sovereignty" but, so it is said, oil. And oil, as we all know, is more precious than rubies or blood. And so far, for the possibility of oil Britain has a mighty armada in that unattractive part of the world and the Argentine generals are ready to sacrifice the last Argentine youth in a holy war against the British. It is a meshugene veit.

But, be that as it may, I'm not Rothschild and no one else seems to be ready with millions to preserve the peace. The worst may, therefore, happen. Each side tries to soften the other's resistance by dropping bombs from the skies, planes and ships are blown to smithereens and innocent soldiers are killed or drowned in the process.

So far, everything would seem to be tragically normal. But it isn't. Britain, of all countries, charges Israel with supplying arms to the Argentinians! The Israeli ambassador to Britain was called to the foreign office and asked to deliver Britain's protest to his government in Jerusalem for delivering arms to Argentina.

That, my friends, is more than a little bit ofchutzpah. The Argentine cruiser that the British navy sank was an American vessel that the British sold to Argentina. The torpedo that sank the British warship was sold to the Argentinians by France and the Argentinian arsenal contains arms from every conceivable arms-producing country in the world.

But Israel was chosen to be the whipping boy for public chastisement. Was that a wee bit of British demagoguery? Was it to please Israel's enemies? Was it to attack a small country that is under political attack? As a result of London's publicized displeasure with Israel the hearts of

some of our own people of extreme sensibility began to flutter and ask whether Israel isn't guilty of helping the inhuman military junta in Buenos Aires.

So let's take a glimpse at that situation.

I would prefer that Israel become world famous as the nation that produces and exports the world's finest ploughshares and pruning hooks (as Isaiah prophesied). (It does that, by the way, in showing the world how to fructify the desert and how to use the most modern achievements in the world of science.) But Israel has learned from bitter experience that it cannot rely on foreign military aid alone for its defence. Hence, it began to produce some of its own arms. It has learned to produce some exceptionally good arms, patrol ships and planes. As my uncle Eliezer would say "when you have to, you have to."

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Consisting of 25,000 volumes, including some of his own from Morocco, the library has books in an assortment of languages.

In an effort to break down barriers between Jews and Catholics, the seminary sponsors monthly ecumenical forums where subjects common to Judaism and Roman Catholicism are studied.

The Argentine Roman Catholic church, Edery says, is a very conservative and traditional one. It has, he explains, an attitude of "cold respect" toward the Jewish community.

The seminary has translated more than 60 major Jewish works into Spanish, and the translations have exposed Spanish-speaking Jews to such Jewish thinkers as Martin Buber and to eight of Salo Baron's Social and Religious History of the Jewish People.

It is also translating the Bible into Spanish. The Book of Genesis has been published and Edery, who heads the project, is working with his assistants on Exodus.

To a considerable extent, the seminary is spiritually and financially sustained by Temple Bet-El, the first fully Conservative synagogue in Argentina, and the biggest in the city, with a membership of some 1,000 families.

Throughout Latin America, there are about 30 synagogues cum-community centres affiliated with the Latin American Rabbinical Seminary.

The day school system forms the heart and soul of the Jewish community, says Aron Angel, a Sephardic rabbi who, until 1958, lived and worked in the Egyptian port of Alexandria.

Jaim Barylko, director of the Board of Jewish Education here, discloses that there are some 70 Jewish schools in the country, 45 of which are in Buenos Aires, where Jews are concentrated.

In Buenos Aires, approximately 20,000 students are enrolled in Jewish schools. In the rest of Argentina, there are 4,000. Broken down into hard statistics, 40% of Jewish children in Buenos Aires attend Jewish schools, while about 65% do so in



Children at a Jewish day school (Sheldon Kirshner photo)

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Most of the new arrivals have gone to the city because of the buoyant economy and business potential, most of it generated by Alberta's oil wealth. The bulk of the newcomers, according to Miss Miller, hail from Toronto and Montreal.

One of the startling statistics produced in the Herald story is the presence of more than 1,000 Russian Jews within the Calgary community, almost 15% of the total Jewish population. The community organizations have assumed complete responsibility for the integration of the Russian Jews — a splendid gesture!

The impressive growth of Calgary Jewry is represented also by the appearance of a Jewish newspaper in the city, the Jewish Star, edited by a husband and wife team, the Wertheimers.

Despite financial problems, a Jewish community centre has finally come into existence and shows promise of being a

major educational and cultural foyer. In terms of synagogue life Calgary now boasts of four growing congregations, two Conservative, one Orthodox and one Reform.

"The new educational facilities recently opened as well: the Aikvah, a private Jewish day school; the Beth Israel, an after school program, and the B'nai Tikvah, a Sunday morning enrichment program," the article notes.

Writer Miller suggests in her Herald article that the Calgary Jewish community is somewhat bewildered by the sudden growth of its constituency and the problems that have accompanied it.

Older Jewish communities in the East can commiserate with the plight being experienced by Calgary Jewry.

We can only wish them well in their efforts to organize and perpetuate Jewish values.

The Israel Philharmonic... goodwill ambassador to world

By JANICE ARNOLD

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's Canadian tour at the end of the month will be yet another chapter in its remarkable globetrotting that has seen this proud admixture of refugees from European and Soviet oppression and the new breed of Israeli-trained musicians play on every continent during the past 30 years.

From South Africa to Lapland, Japan to Mexico, not to mention the great music halls of Europe, like Milan's La Scala and the Musikverein in Vienna and, of course, the United States of which it has traveled the length and breadth, the IPO has brought to millions of people around the world, not only top-calibre entertainment, but an impression of Israel quite divorced from air raids, bombings and riots.

The IPO's founder, Polish-born violinist Bronislaw Huberman, died too early (1947) to see the full flowering of his dream that the IPO would be a goodwill ambassador in the Middle East and abroad, but he was not at all unhappy with the early strides toward that end the IPO (then Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra) made in his lifetime.

This year is the centenary of Huberman's birth into an impoverished family. By the age of 11, his musical talent had been recognized and his career flourished in Europe and the United States in the 1920s.

In 1933, alarmed by the rising power of the Nazis and the growing danger for Jews, Huberman became interested in Palestine as a refugee from persecution.

He had given a series of concerts in Palestine during the late 20s, and envisioned this arid stretch of land becoming the home of a symphony orchestra that would enrich the cultural life of its inhabitants, give refuge and employment to Jewish artists, and, at the same time, bring their music to the attention of the world. Huberman had always regarded music not only as a pleasure-giving medium but as a means of communication among people, a way of transmitting feelings and experience.

Huberman was undaunted

Many were understandably skeptical about the need for such an orchestra in a country of only 400,000 people. But Huberman was undaunted; he persuaded some of the finest Jewish musicians in central Europe to emigrate to Palestine. A young conductor, William Steinberg, was chosen to rehearse 70 musicians, from Germany, Austria, Poland, as well as a few from Palestine.

At least one of the greats of the music world could empathize with Huberman's dream — conductor Arturo Toscanini. An avowed anti-fascist, he immediately agreed to conduct the opening concert of this hastily assembled, still untried, group of musicians. Toscanini declared, in a news item in the New York Times Feb. 29, 1936, that it was his duty to fight for the cause of artists persecuted by the Nazis.

Thus, the first concert of the IPO took place in a makeshift hall on the fair grounds of Tel Aviv Dec. 26, 1936, under Toscanini's distinguished baton. Three thousand people gathered to hear the new orchestra. Days later concerts were held in Jerusalem and Haifa.

Determined to make the orchestra a goodwill ambassador, the IPO made its first foreign tour only two weeks after the opening concert. The destination: Egypt, an engagement that has not been repeated since World War II, but which the IPO hopes will be with the normalization of relations between Israel and Egypt. Lebanon was also on the IPO's itinerary before political tensions began.



Zubin Mehta conducts 110-member IPO, now known the world over.

Spurred on by this initial success, Huberman during the war years traveled to South Africa and the U.S., lecturing and urging Jewish communities to support the orchestra. When the war ended, he returned to Europe to find refugee artists who would be interested in coming to Palestine.

Physically tired and emotionally drained by the devastation of the war, Huberman was forced to retire in Switzerland where he died in 1947.

Today, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra has a basic strength of 110 musicians, 60 of whom were born and/or trained in Israel. More than 25 are recent immigrants from the Soviet Union.

The common language of Hebrew has replaced the early problem of trying to meld an orchestra from musicians speaking three or four different languages.

The home of the IPO is the 3,000-seat Frederic R. Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv. There are more than 35,000 subscribers to the orchestra, an amazing patronage considering Israel's population of over 3 million.

Fourteen different series are required to meet the ticket demand.

The IPO has averaged more than 200 concerts each year in Israel and abroad, a rigorous schedule that has not been altered by wars or even the lack of a conductor.

During a brief ceasefire in the 1948 War of Independence, Leonard Bernstein and the orchestra members were driven a distance of 45 miles from Tel Aviv, driving along the dangerous "Burma Road" for eight hours to keep a concert date in the besieged Jerusalem.

Bernstein was just one of many visiting conductors and soloists whose names read like a who's who in music that have appeared with the IPO: Eugene Ormandy, Daniel Barenboim, Isaac Stern, Arthur Rubinstein, to name a few in more recent years. The Montreal Symphony Orchestra's Charles Dutoit conducted the IPO in Mexico and Brazil in 1978.

Two hundred thousand persons attended the IPO concert in HaYarkon Park in Tel Aviv in the summer of 1981 when Zubin Mehta and Itzhak Perlman appeared together. The rotation of guest conductors before the arrival of Mehta has made IPO "wonderfully elastic" in the words of one expert.

Canada was included in the IPO's first major international tour to the U.S. in 1951, under the direction of Bernstein and Koussevitzky. The IPO has returned to Canada at least four times since then.

Mehta's first association with the IPO dates back to 1961 as a guest conductor at an Israeli performance. He was 25 at the time, as was the IPO. Impressed with the young man, the IPO invited him to return every year, at least until their mutual 50th birthday.

Mehta, son of Mehli Mehta, the founder of the Bombay Symphony, became the IPO's musical advisor soon after seven years as the music director simultaneously of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra and the Los Angeles Philharmonic (Zubin's brother Zarin is the current director of the MSO).

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He is presently spearheading an international campaign to raise money for the new Israel Philharmonic Foundation, its first endowment fund. Aba Eban, whose son plays the clarinet with the orchestra, is foundation chairman.

In Canada, the campaign — the most ambitious ever undertaken in this country on behalf of the IPO — is under auspices of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation.

The tour is the culmination of the campaign. At the campaign's launching reception last January, hosted by Andrea Cohen and Charles Bronfman, Mehta said the IPO was facing its gravest financial difficulties in its history and an endowment fund is a necessity if the orchestra is to maintain its standard of international excellence.

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Besides restricting its touring and recording, the IPO's stature in the cultural life of Israel is jeopardized, too. The IPO is "deeply rooted in the soil of Israel" and is the centre of all musical activity in the country.

The IPO brings its music to kibbutzim and small towns throughout Israel, gives free concerts to servicemen as well as open-air concerts for tens of thousands. Its youth orchestra is a training ground for future IPO members. The IPO is a forum for Israeli soloists and conductors and the orchestra commissions new works by Israeli artists.

IPO members are among the leading music teachers in the country, and the IPO awards annual scholarships for undergraduate and post-graduate studies.

All of this has combined to lend a special aura to the IPO. Mehta put it this way: "There is something about the IPO's musicians that radiates, grabbing you in the audience like an arm of friendship."



An historic moment: The great conductor Arturo Toscanini shakes the hand of Bronislaw Huberman at one of the first concerts given by the orchestra, in 1936.

Organizations and People



What's New

By Miriam Herman



LEADING UJA WOMEN

Gay Berger, second from left, hands over gavel to her successor Annette Bearg, incoming chairman of UJA Women's Division, at installation of new officers and board members for the coming campaign. With them are Gella Rothstein (left) and Julia Koschitzky, first and second vice-chairmen.

SHAAREI TORAH CELEBRATES

Kehillat Shaarei Torah (the new name for the North East Hebrew Congregation) will celebrate Lag Ba'Omer with a picnic on Sunday, May 23, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Downsview Dell Park (Sheppard between Keele and Jane). There will be games for the children and a softball game for the adults. Families are asked to bring their own lunch. Desserts and drinks will be served by the shul.

Members of the congregation and those interested in affiliating are invited to join in. Make reservations by calling Norman and Beryl Mosselson at 445-6957.

And now, about the new name, Kehillat Shaarei Torah. According to Rabbi Elliot Feldman, it was chosen to reflect the goals of the congregation. Kehillah means community. It connotes a totally encompassing Jewish organization which seeks to impact on the lives of its members. Shaarei Torah means gates of Torah and it is to this that the congregation is committed.

The initials of the name in Hebrew spell KESHET, meaning rainbow, and this also suggests the hopes and promises that this congregation offers its members Jewishly.

BETH TZEDEC HIGH SCHOOL

Beth Tzedec Congregational High School will be offering high school credit courses during the 1982-83 school year for grades 10-13. The high school meets Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Credit students are required to attend pre-assigned classes for six hours weekly. Non-credit students may attend the classes of their choice.

Students fulfilling the course requirements will be granted one public high school credit for the 1982-83 school year. In addition to course requirements, students must maintain a satisfactory record of attendance of minimally 90% of class sessions.

You are urged to consider this second chance your child has to further his/her Jewish education. A screening test will be given to help with proper class placement. For further information, call 787-0381.

ART AUCTION

The Markham-Unionville Hebrew Congregation's first annual art auction is set for Saturday, May 29, at the Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Ave. (corner John St.). Preview begins at 8 p.m. with the auction at 9:45 p.m. Proceeds will go to educational resources of the Hebrew school. For more information, call 475-7687.

LIVNY TO SPEAK

At the next luncheon meeting of the Canadian Friends of Israel on Wednesday, May 26, the guest speaker will be Jonathan Livny, executive vice-president of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. Mr. Livny is a former attorney-general for the West Bank, and his topic at Wednesday's meeting will be West Bank Realities.

The luncheon will be held at the Sheraton Centre, Kenora Room, 123 Queen St. W., from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$8. If you wish to attend, please reply by telephoning Kay at 924-0755.

A DAY IN THE COUNTRY

Who wouldn't like to spend a day in the country? Well, the members of Israeli Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO are inviting you to do just that on Wednesday, May 26, when they have arranged a day at Don Eddy Farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Eddy. It takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and along with luncheon, you will have a chance to pick up some antiques, plants and gift items from the long list of participating dealers. Tickets are \$10. Further details

singing and food. Bring your friends. Admission is \$1. For information, call 633-8020.

OPEN HOUSE FOR VOLUNTEERS

Looking for an exciting challenge that will provide personal growth and satisfaction? Then accept the invitation of the Jewish Family & Child Service to attend the first of its ongoing Open House for Volunteers evenings being held Wednesday, May 26, at 8 p.m. at the JF&CS office, 3101 Bathurst St. The intent of these evenings is to make those in the community more aware of the variety of ways in which they can become involved with JF&CS in support roles. RSVP. Call 781-1592, local 254.

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS

All you ardent gardeners and green thumbs can stock up on your garden supplies at the annual summer flower and plant sale run by Club Dayan of Pioneer Women Na'amat on the Victoria Day Weekend, May 22, 23 and 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 2 Silvergrove Rd. (Bannatyne and Leslie). You'll find quality boxes of flowers and vegetables, hanging baskets, herbs, soil and fertilizer. All proceeds go directly to charity. For further information, call 783-5353 or 226-3059.

1-DAY ISRAEL TOURS

Will you be in Israel within the next few weeks? Are you interested in 1- or 2-day tours throughout the country? The World Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrachi movement offers these tours during May and June. Trips are arranged to the Shomron, Gush Etzion and Hebron, the Plains of Jericho, Beit Govrin Caves, the Galilee and Golan Heights.

The tours, which are popularly priced, use some of the finest guides in Israel. For more information, contact the Mizrahi office at 630-7575, or, when you are in Israel you can call (02) 635282 and ask for David or Rachel.

MOTHER-IN-ISRAEL TEA

The annual Mother-In-Israel tea sponsored by Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Toronto is set for this Sunday, May 23, at 2 p.m., at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue. Guest speaker Marsha Razin will talk about Jewish Women Belonging to a Double Minority.

CAMP STAFF NEEDED

ECRUSY (Eastern Canada Region United Synagogue Youth) is presently staffing Camps USY and Kadimah for boys and girls ages 11-18. Camps will run Aug. 24-30 at Camp Ramah in Utterson, Ont. Former USY experience is an asset but not necessary. If you are interested, contact Terri Millstone at the regional office at 781-6908.

A MORNING WITH IRVING LAYTON

On Sunday, May 23, Beth Tzedec Men's Club weekly breakfast meeting features *A Morning With Irving Layton*. Program starts at 10 a.m. Admission is \$1.

CAN YOU HELP?

The Jewish Family & Child Service has asked us to report that it needs the following items for a client of the agency—a sewing machine table (or small sturdy table 18 x 36), lawn chair, 5-speed women's bicycle, high stool and floor lamp.

If you can assist with any of these items, please contact the volunteer office, JF&CS, 781-1592, local 254.

RUMMAGE SALE

Congregation Hahonim is holding a great rummage sale on Sunday, May 23, from 2-5 p.m. at the synagogue, 12 Hollaman Rd. (corner Bathurst and Glencairn). Refreshments will be served.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Parents Council for Special Education needs volunteers for a roller skate program it runs for handicapped children, 6 to 19. Ideally, volunteers would assist these youngsters, who are mildly to severely disabled, on a one-to-one basis in the skate program that is offered on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Albion-Highway 7 area.

Teens are welcome and any volunteer who is comfortable on skates and interested in helping youths with special needs is asked to call the Volunteer Centre, North York, at 481-6194.

SINGLES EVENTS

Holy Blossom Singles-Single Parents group (25-45) has arranged a brunch for Sunday, May 23, at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker psychologist Harvey Silver, who runs his own management consultant firm, will be discussing Coping with Changes in our Lives. Reservations are a must. As seating in the Phillip Smith Congregational Hall foyer is limited, call as soon as possible. The charge is \$7 for members and \$9 for non-members. Contact Elaine at 787-3250 or Fern at 481-4154 or David at 665-1109.

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Another Jewish singles dance (over 25) is set for Sunday, May 23, at 8 p.m. at O'Neils in the Vaughan Grove Plaza at 72 Steeles Ave. W. Cost is \$5. No jeans or T-shirts please. For information, call 889-6083.

The Alternatives schedule includes a movie night on Thursday, May 20, at 8 p.m. sharp at the BBYO House, 15 Hove St. when Private Benjamin will be screened. Coffee following. It's \$2 if you are a member and \$3 if you are not... For the Victoria holiday weekend, there's the fourth annual retreat at Camp Ramah in Utterson. Call 783-0175 for details... A trip to Stratford to see Shakespeare's Merry Wives of Windsor is planned for Sunday, May 30. Group leaves Lawrence Plaza at 10 a.m. Cost of \$14 for members and \$17 for non-members includes the play and transportation in carpools. Bring along your own picnic lunch. Let Nathan at 923-9705 or Judy at 489-5579 know if you want tickets.

The Young Professional Club (23-37) is looking forward to seeing you at the next house party on Sunday, May 23, at 8:30 p.m. at 102 Rance Ave. (Bathurst and Lawrence). For information, call Sheldon at 653-1381 or Rudy at 638-7701.

AT THE JCC

On Thursday, May 20, the Jewish Community Centre northern branch is holding the last of the back education series entitled Everything You Wanted to Know About Your Back But Were Afraid To Ask. Dr. Avram Sussman and Jacob Schmeer will discuss any concerns you have about your back and its care. The time is 7 p.m. For further information, contact Eva Karpat at 636-1880, ext. 18.

Downtown Jewish couples take note: A new group for downtown Jewish couples will be meeting for a walking tour of historical Jewish Toronto on Sunday, May 30. The tour starts at 2 p.m. and meets in front of the Kiever Synagogue, 25 Bellevue Ave. For more information and to reserve, call Joelle at 924-6211.

The Koffler Gallery, Koffler Centre of the Arts, student exhibition II will display students' work in design, stone sculpture, fabric art and calligraphy in the gallery from 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 25, to Friday, June 11, at the JCC northern branch. Everyone is welcome. There is no admission charge.

Gallery hours are Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 636-2145.

FOR SENIORS

Tuesday, May 25, is the date of the Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50 musicale luncheon with cabaret singer Phyllis Cohen as guest artist. Luncheon begins at 12:15 p.m. and everyone is welcome. Charge is \$4. Please reserve early by calling 781-3511.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni meets Wednesday, May 26, at 1:30 p.m. to hear Morley Pape talk about Shavuoth—Is the Feast of Weeks a Weak Feast?

The North-East Jewish Seniors Club is not meeting on Monday, May 24, as it is Victoria Day.

At the Wagon Centre—The Israel Today series continues on Thursday, May 20, with Israel Kopyto, speaking on Israel's Struggle for Existence. This takes place in the assembly room from 1:30-2:30 p.m. The spring plant sale is being held in the lobby on Thursday, May 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. On Sunday, May 23, Rabbi Joseph Gansburg will lecture on Shavuoth... The North York Community Singers will perform on Tuesday, May 25, from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Friendship Club general meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m. Come out and have an enjoyable afternoon. For further information, call Charles Cohen at 741-4462.

The Workmen's Circle Social Club meeting on Tuesday, May 25, features lunch and a movie on Metro safety. Everyone is welcome... If you have not yet signed up for the Las Vegas trip be sure to do so at this meeting. Look for Shirley Grottel when you get there. The meeting begins at 12 noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

On Wednesday, May 26, the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is presenting George Egri, editor of Menora newspaper, who has just returned from Israel and will talk about current events. The time is 6:30 p.m. This meeting is in Hungarian. Admission: \$1. For information call 222-3408 or 225-2112.

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IMA SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Michael Ehrenfeld of Hebrew University's Hadassah Medical Centre, Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, received a \$2,000 scholarship from Canadian Chapter, Israel Medical Association, to continue his residency in rheumatology at Toronto's Wellesley Hospital, studying under Dr. Murray Urowitz. Upon completion of his residency, Dr. Ehrenfeld will return to Hadassah Medical Centre to head the rheumatology unit there. At a reception hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Norman Epstein are left to right: Dr. I. Koven, president, Canadian Chapter; Dr. L. Blendis, secretary, Canadian Chapter; Dr. Ehrenfeld receiving the scholarship; Dr. W. Grobin, world vice-chairman, and Dr. S. Erdman, world president, IMA.

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RA EXECUTIVE MEMBER

Rabbi Erwin Schild of Toronto's Adath Israel Congregation has been elected to the executive council of the Rabbinical Assembly, the international body of 1,200 Conservative rabbis in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Latin America, Israel and Japan. The executive council transacts the business of the organization between annual conventions.

Rabbi Schild was elected to a 3-year term.

WITH THE SYNAGOGUES

At Petah Tikva Anshe Castilla Congregation Max Benaim was elected president for the year 1982-83. Sam Toby and Isaac Benguach are first and second vice-presidents, respectively. Eli Benatar is treasurer, Joe Elmaleh is secretary, Ozziel Moses is parnass with Ozziel Abraham as assistant parnass, and Frank Levy is shaliah.

The Beth Tikvah Synagogue 1982-83 executive is headed by president Robert Cohen, with Joe Dubrofsky, Murray Ierwitz and Steve Goldman as vice-presidents, Harold Shapiro, treasurer, and Gloria Plinkus, secretary.

U OF T ASSOCIATE DEAN

Prof. Ben Zion Shapiro has been appointed associate dean in the University of Toronto's faculty of social work, effective July 1. Prof. Shapiro received his BA, BSW and MSW degrees from U of T and his DSW from Case Reserve University in 1966, the year he joined U of T's faculty of social work as an assistant professor. He became a full professor in 1971.

From 1953 to 1969, Shapiro directed various youth programs and organizations in Ontario and Israel. He has done research in Jerusalem at the World Institute and at Hebrew University, where he also taught.

PIANO CONCERT

Toronto pianist Moses Hazan will be performing a classical piano concert on Sunday, May 30, at the Heliconian Hall, 35 Hazelton Ave. There will be two performances — 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Program includes works by Chopin, Rachmaninoff, Debussy, Mozart, Gershwin and one by Hazan himself.

Tickets (they are \$5 each) may be picked up at Pronto's on Mount Pleasant Ave.; call 961-6522 for more information.

JWB ELECTIONS

Two Canadians have been elected as directors-at-large of the Jewish Welfare Board, the network of and central agency for some 275 Jewish community centres, Ys and camps in the U.S. and Canada. They are Irving Malkin of Montreal and Martin Mendelow of Toronto.

Ester Leah Ritz of Milwaukee, a leader in local, national and international organizations, was elected JWB president. She succeeds Robert L. Adler, a Chicago insurance executive who served as JWB president since 1978.

ART EXHIBIT

The exhibition of art now in view at Gallery One, 121 Scollard St. through to June 2, is by young Toronto artist Judy Slinger, not Judy Silver as printed in last week's item. Sorry Judy.

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Leukemia Research Fund to hold Tea and Symphony

TORONTO — The Leukemia Research Fund is sponsoring a Tea and Symphony and the money raised will go to leukemia research.

The event will be at the home of Evelyn Wolfe on Sunday, May 30, from 1

p.m. to 5 p.m., said Anna Gangbar, president of the fund. Phone 783-5838 for the location.

The afternoon get-together is open to everyone and music will be supplied by Trio DaCapo.

She added that on May

25, the fund will hold its closing dinner at the Bond Place Hotel and will allocate the money it has raised for scholarships and university research.

The \$200,000 that will be given out has been raised by the 300 volun-

teers in the organization in various ways, including school dances, walkathons, raffles, and teas. Gangbar said there were also two benefit hockey games with the National Hockey League Old Timers in February, which helped raise money.

A medical advisory board assists the fund in the allocations.



TOKEN OF TRADE

Baruch Barak, Israeli economic minister to Canada (left) recently gave a pair of Israeli-made pipes to longtime pipe smoker, Ontario Premier William Davis. The pipes are a gift from a fellow pipe smoker, Gideon Pasi, Israel's minister of industry and trade, who sent them to the premier after a Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Trade between Israel and the province of Ontario has grown steadily.



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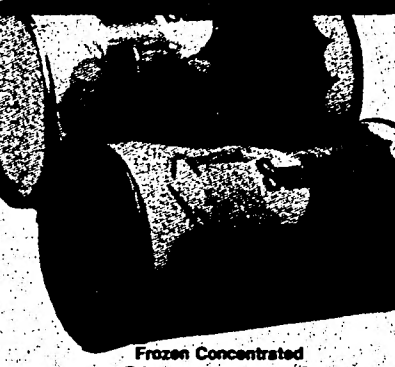
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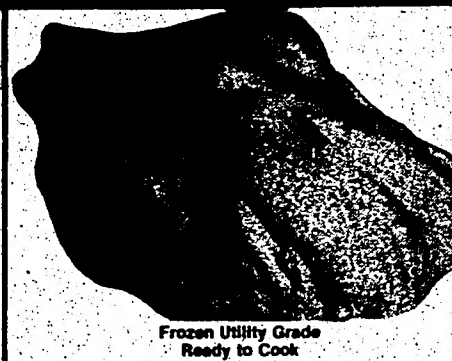
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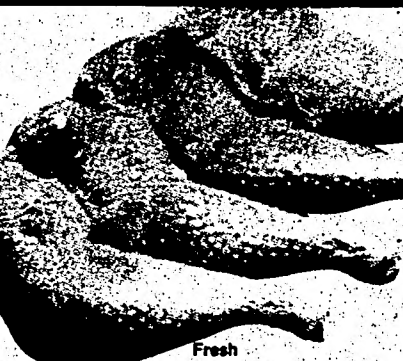
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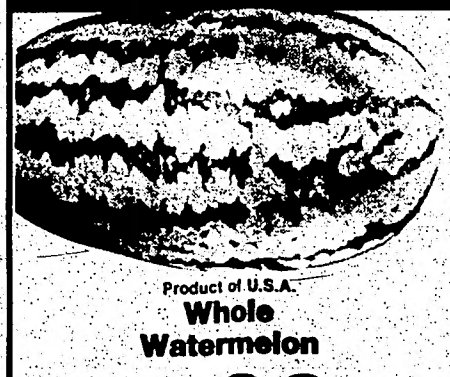
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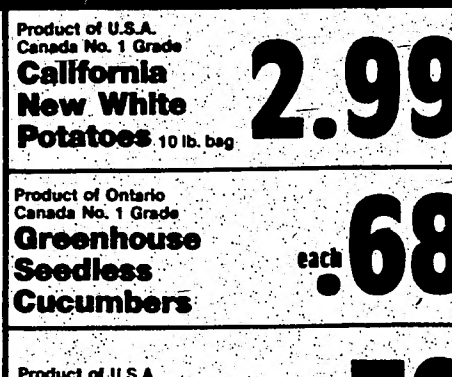
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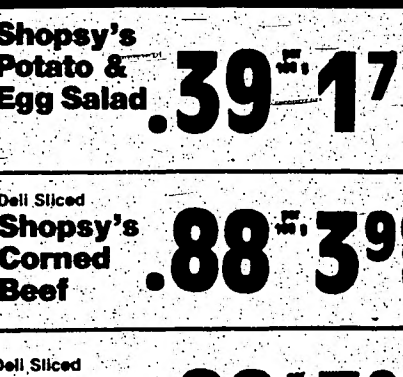
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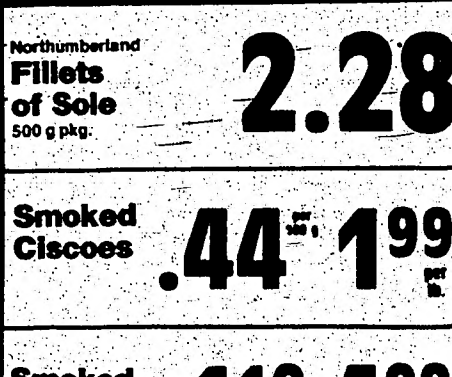
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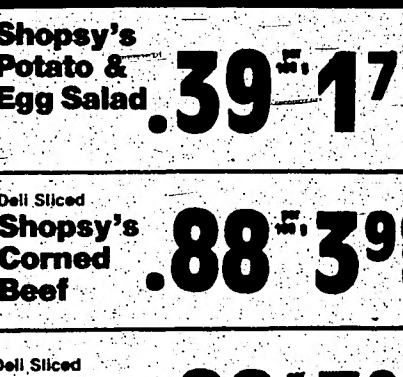


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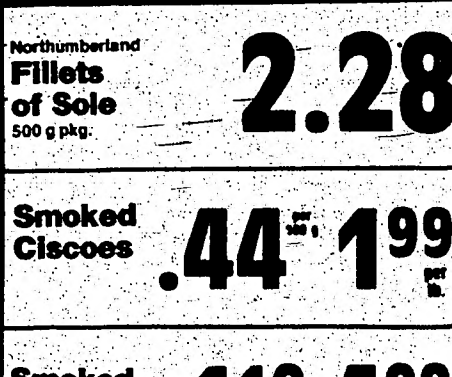
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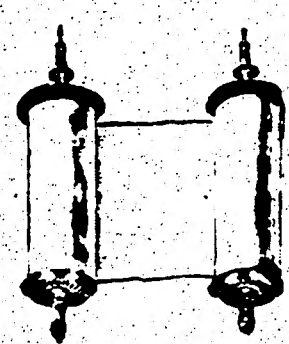
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Organizations and People



By RABBI MEIR UM GOTTESMAN

Parshat Bamidbar

Reb Mendel of Kotzk saw a student in his beis medrash (house of study) walking around with a very conceited air, his kipa jauntily cocked on his head.

"Why are you so satisfied?" asked Reb Mendel. "I completed the study of the whole order of Moed," boasted the young man.

Reb Mendel gave him a long look. "And tell me, how many more Gemaras do you have to study until your kipa slips completely off?"

We live in such a wild and crazy world that it's hard to concentrate on what is important — Torah and mitzvot. We get so involved in little things we do that we forget our purpose in life.

That's why the parsha begins: "And the Lord spoke to Moses, in the desert of Sinai, in the tent of meeting (Ohel Moed)." . . .

Why mention both the desert and the holy tent? But — says the Met Hatorah — it teaches that sometimes a Jew lives in a desert, a wasteland of running from one thing to the next, where he can't collect his thoughts, can't pray properly, can't study Torah, can't serve G-d. But, if he sanctifies himself properly in his daily life, then when he does enter a synagogue at the start or end of a day, it can inspire him like the most sacred sanctuary.

This week begins the fourth book of the Torah, Bamidbar. In English it is called Numbers, and many classical sources refer to it as Sefer Ha'Pequdim, the Book of Counting, because at its start, all the Jews were counted.

But what is the big deal about counting the Jews that it should derive its name — Pequdim — from the count?

What it emphasizes is that counting a Jew is critical. A Jew has to be part of a minyan, part of the community. When there are 10 Jews collected, there is holiness. No Jew should go for a few days without dropping into a shul — even for a few minutes. The doors of Bobov at Bathurst-Wilson, or the Kollel at Bathurst-Lawrence, or countless other synagogues are always open for every Jew.

Our neshamas thirst and hunger for the word of G-d. When the Jews entered the desert of Sinai, there were many who were broken, crippled and depressed, from their slavery in Egypt. Then a miracle took place at the foot of Mount Sinai. As they were about to receive the Torah, all illness was healed.

Why? How? That is the power of Torah, of following a true Jewish way — sickness, sadness, worry fall away. Torah can heal!

But being holy doesn't mean you have to lose your sense of humor. Rabb Elimelech of Lizensk once met a Jew in the town marketplace who was dressed like a foreigner. "Where are you from?" he asked. "Hungary." "What brings you to Lizensk?" "I came to sit at the table of the tzaddek of Lizensk, Reb Elimelech."

"Oy," cried Reb Elimelech, "has the word spread even to Hungary about that faker?" The Hungarian turned purple: "How dare you speak like that about the tzaddek of the generation?"

Later the Hungarian went into the tzaddek's study, and who should it be. . . . Rabbi Elimelech told him: "Don't worry — what you said was right, and so was what I said."

May G-d heal all the ailing, quickly, amen.

Shabbat Shalom.

JIAS announces

Canadians are elected as directors of HIAS

MONTREAL — The Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada here announced that a number of Canadians have been elected to the board of directors of Hebrew Immigrant Aid Services (HIAS).

Board members from

Montreal are J. Aln, M. Herling, D. Morris, E. Scharfstein, and M. Wolofsky. From Toronto they are Dr. H. Ashley, J. Casse, H. Rosenfeld, and S. Sper. Also elected was Sol Kanev of Winnipeg. Aln has been re-elected vice-president of HIAS.

Today, he is still an ardent Conservative with his political and ideological bias stronger than ever. He also gained in

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2. "Introduction To The Midrash" - Rabbi Irwin Witty, Board of Jewish Education, Toronto.

Registration - 1/2 hour, before the course.

Members \$10, non-members \$15.

These courses will take place on four consecutive Tuesdays.

May 2-JUNE 6, Museum - Art Exhibition of works by Henry Weingluck in honour of his 80th birthday. Museum hours: Sun.-Thurs. 2-6 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sat. 12 noon-1 p.m.

TUES., MAY 25, 12-15 P.M., FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50 - Musical Luncheon. Phyllis Cohen, cabaret singer. Everyone welcome. \$4. For reservations call 781-3511.

THURS., MAY 27, TIKKUN LEYL SHAVUOT - The Annual Evening of Learning on the First Night of Shavuot. Refreshments 10:15 p.m.; Study Sessions 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

11 p.m. "And They Saw God" Revelation and the Prophets. Taught by Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg.

12:00 p.m.-1 a.m. a) "The Singularity of Eretz Yisrael." Taught by Dr. Arnold Ages. b) "The Book of Ruth." Taught by Jacob Israeli.

SAT., JUNE 5, 12 NOON, SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON - Speaker: Anne Medres Glass. Topic: Jewish Life at the Crossroads: The Place of Yiddish Literature at the turn of the Century. Adults \$3.50, children under 12, \$1.50. Paid reservations should be made no later than Wed., June 2. (Unpaid reservations will not be honoured.)

David Zifkin is CAIC chairman

Plans to "state the case for Israel"

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

After the Conservatives won the federal election campaign of May 1979, Toronto lawyer David Zifkin, who campaigned actively for the party in St. Paul's riding, got a phone call from newly-elected Conservative MP, Ron Atkey, asking him to come to Ottawa as Atkey's executive assistant.

Zifkin, 34, newly appointed chairman of CAIC, the Community Action for Israel Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region, recalls: "Atkey threw me for a loop. Why me? Sure, I had been an aggressive campaigner... but I really didn't know Atkey. I had my own law practice. Was I to give it up to go to Ottawa?"

The answer was yes. "It's crazy," he told his wife, Judy, "but I can't say no to this." Among his many considerations, Zifkin had a sense of history.

"I would be the first Jewish executive assistant to a Conservative cabinet minister." (Atkey was minister of immigration and employment.)

Zifkin likes to think Atkey chose him on the merits of his abilities and dedicated participation in the campaign, but he concedes: "My appointment didn't hurt politically." As well, there was a need for Jewish input because of the Conservative promise to move the Canadian embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

About that issue, which became a political fiasco for the Conservatives, Zifkin says he had no part in planning such a promise. "Certainly, I did not consult with Atkey on his matter. I was not an advisor to Atkey as some people have said. The embassy matter was never discussed with me."

"My thoughts on the proposed embassy move were this: 'We might not be able to do it, but let's try anyway.'"

Nine months later, the hot water from the embassy incident still swirling, the Conservatives were trounced in another federal election (in February, 1980). Zifkin was out of a job.

Despite the brevity of Conservative rule at the federal helm, Zifkin has no regrets about the whole experience in Ottawa. He returned to Toronto and joined the firm of Lyons Arbus in which he had earlier merged his own firm.

Today, he is still an ardent Conservative with his political and ideological bias stronger than ever. He also gained in

sights which serve him well in his current CAIC activities.

On the need for more Jews to get involved in the political process, Zifkin is adamant. He is especially concerned that more Canadian Jews who are Conservatives show their colors and run for office at the federal level.

He thinks such involvement can be mutually advantageous, giving the Conservatives a broader political base as well as raising the profile of Jewish concerns. Particularly, the Conservatives need the input from committed



David Zifkin

Jews who are active in Jewish communal organizations, he says.

While Zifkin rails against the lack of concern on domestic Jewish concerns — such as the prosecution here of Nazi war criminals (over which he has consistently labored) — it is on matter of media bias against Israel and ignorance of issues that he now wants to correct.

Specifically, Zifkin, in his new position as CAIC chairman, aims to state unabashedly the case for Israel. "There is an as-

ymmetry of criticism on Mideast issues here with Israel increasingly delegitimized," he says. "CAIC intends to right the balance."

Zifkin is a true-blue Zionist. He was born of Zionist parents (his father was Harry Zifkin, one-time president of the Zionist Organization of Canada) and is a former kibbutznik who has been to Israel 22 times. He helped in non-combat operations during the 1967 and 1973 wars.

Zifkin feels Israel is again in crisis, facing a

barrage of international condemnation that requires communal defenses to rally.

CAIC intends to be very high-profile in telling the story for Israel, says Zifkin. Already, he has lined up four public lectures in less than one month, between May 19 and June 17.

Haifa university professor Joseph Ginat, began the series this week lecturing on Arabs living in Israel. Upcoming: Prof. John Gellner on May 30 on the military situation in the Mideast; Baruch Barak, Israeli economic minister to Canada, on Canada-Israel trade; and on June 17, CAIC co-sponsors with the Canada-Israel Committee, a program on Israel's image in the media.

Zifkin is no stranger to advocacy. When he was in his law practice, he successfully represented five complainants before the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal which had been convened especially to hear accusations against the Western Guard for its taped hate messages on the telephone.

On the issue of war criminals, Zifkin has been politically active but less than victorious. "The politicians all sympathize, but that's not enough." It's a matter Zifkin promises to pursue.

Says Sinai return starts new era, but Israelis are unsure of future

TORONTO —

The return of the Sinai to Egypt should be viewed as the beginning of a new era, "but it's no secret that we don't know what to expect and are unaware of the future," Leah Rabin told a recent State of Israel Bonds Women's Division sponsor luncheon.

Speaking to about 50 women at the home of Luba Kleinstein, Mrs. Rabin, the wife of the

former Israeli Prime Minister said "we must hope and pray that a day will never come when we regret or say we made a mistake in our efforts for peace in the Middle East."

She said that "all of us have to stand with Israel as we have in the past. We have to accept there is no such thing as a man's job and a woman's job — there is no division be-

tween the two when it comes to Israel."

Golda Meir, she added, "once told me she did not understand what women's liberation was all about. As Prime Minister of Israel she was only fulfilling her role to the best of her ability."

The speaker said Jews in the Diaspora "are famous for carrying the torch and supporting the homeland. . . . Nothing

could have been done in Israel without your help. We owe it to ourselves and our children to preserve and encourage active involvement with the Jewish state."

The Women's Division associate sponsor chairmen are Reggie Levenstadt and Yetta Randall; the Jerusalem chairman is Regina Opatowski; Golda Meir Club chairman is Sheila Rothman; Diamond Trustee chairman, Faye Firestone.



Leah Rabin (left), Louise Cornblum and Luba Kleinstein (right) display Bonds logo, during sponsor luncheon hosted at Mrs. Kleinstein's home. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Chairman: Rabbi Moshe Bomzer, Shaarei Zion Congregation.

Mishnah Study: Rabbi Mordechai Ochs, Torah Emeth Congregation

Dvirei Chizuk: Rabbi Naftali Friedler, Rosh Hayeshiva,
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An exhibition of Israeli art, technology and tourism will be held in the shopping mall of First Canadian Place, at King and Bay, May 27 to June 4. Main sponsors are the consulate-general of Israel and Olympia and York Developments Ltd., who manage the building.

The exhibition is open to the public free of charge during mall hours.

Included will be:
• a 60-piece display entitled The Israeli Printmaker.
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• A variety of local and Israeli artwork.
• An Israeli exhibit entitled Children Paint Peace.

Bialik Hebrew Day School's choir and dancers will perform at 12:30 and 1:15 p.m. at the fountain on the lower level, Monday, May 31 and Tuesday, June 1.

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From India and Argentina

ORT students show Canadians they are "not just a statistic"

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Edouardo Milrud met recently with Paul Godfrey, Metropolitan Toronto council chairman, where they were presented with the May ORT Month Proclamation.

They are in Canada to show the Jewish communities here "that an ORT student is not just a statistic." The two have

already visited Montreal, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Edmonton and will continue on to Calgary, Ottawa and then back to Toronto.

ORT is the Organization for Rehabilitation through Training, and is a non-governmental global system of vocational schools that teaches trades and skills to underprivileged Jewish youth.

ORT operates in 27 countries and has an enrolment of 100,000 students, more than half of whom are in schools in Israel.

Women's Canadian ORT brings in students to tell in a personal way what ORT means to them and what it is doing in their countries.

This trip is being funded by the Canadian Industrial Development Association (CIDA). Shamira is taking a 2-year course to become a hairdresser and beautician. ORT India offers secretarial courses for women as well, and teaches boys to be draftsmen and fitters.



Shamira Reuben and Edouardo Milrud (right) receive the May ORT Month Proclamation from Paul Godfrey, Metro Toronto Council chairman. (Michael Ruckack photo)

The school has 137 boys and 80 girls, none of whom are required to pay for their education.

ORT Argentina offers a 6-year course. The technical training begins in the last three years, and stu-

dents (853 of them and 10% women) choose from careers in construction, chemistry, computers and electronics.

Edouardo is studying electronics and will graduate this year.

In Argentina the students pay as much as they can afford to.

Both of these ambassadors speak highly of the education in ORT schools.

"I think ORT education is superior to any other," says Edouardo. "I changed to a regular school after my first three years and after a week I came back to ORT."

"There are better prospects if you go to ORT," says Shamira. "We learn extra things like Jewish education, which we don't know anything about. We get a Jewish education plus a profession which we wouldn't get in any other place together. And the salon owners already ask for girls from ORT while they're still studying, so the prospects are good. We're guaranteed a job."

Yet ORT is not so much for students who can't afford a regular education, as for those who desire the benefits of a Jewish education to complement other skills.

"I'm aware that I'm Jewish now," says Shamira. "I knew I was a Jew before but joining ORT I learned what it is really being Jewish and I became kosher."

Edouardo says his primary schooling included Jewish and Hebrew studies, and he couldn't imagine continuing on in school and not furthering his education in those subjects as well as others.

Shamira explains how ORT has helped to bring the Jewish community in India together.

"We are a small community in India, about

5,000, and the majority of them stay away from the synagogues so we don't meet. Because of that there are intermarriages, and ORT is really good because it keeps the Jews together. It's given us a chance to meet other Jews."

The large majority of students in ORT schools are Jewish, although a number of non-Jewish students are admitted for good will. They are expected to study the tradi-

tional Jewish and Hebrew courses along with the others.

"The classes are personalized and small," says Edouardo, and Shamira adds that "the education is superior even not including the trade taught because what we are taught in ORT we are not taught outside."

"ORT provides all the things you need to work in the field you want," says Edouardo, "and you have more possibilities than a

student from another school."

Dorothea Cheifetz, the executive director of Montreal Women's ORT, says students were chosen from South America and India because South America has such a large Jewish community, and India such a small one.

"India has an ancient Jewish community," she says, "but they weren't observant Jews, and ORT schools are teaching the traditions of Jerusalem."

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age of 3. As well, every city, town and settlement has easily accessible day-care facilities to look after younger children. Israeli women have been working for much longer than their North American counterparts; our support systems are considerably more developed."

The new era is also ushering in a definition of Zionism that is immediate and stripped to the bones: living in Israel. "The fact that after 2,000 years we Jews have a land of our own, one that is obviously flourishing now and at peace, means that there is no reason for Jews proud of their culture and traditions not to come here."

"To revise the traditional adage: If one Jew collects funds from a second Jew to send a third Jew to Israel, it is only that third Jew that we in Israel will consider as the Zionist," said Malatzky.

She prescribed more contact with Israel, particularly for the young and impressionable, as an antidote for North America's high assimilation and intermarriage rate.

Malatzky has been addressing various organizations during her 4-week tour of the Toronto area, including the Zionist Organization of Canada, the executive of Pioneer Women and Hadassah-WIZO, the Association of Parents of Americans and Canadians in Israel, Mizrahi, the Canadian Zionist Federation regional executive, NAAM, the Pride of Israel Congregation brotherhood, and the Zaglenbier Society.

Israeli art, technology will be on display

TORONTO —

An exhibition of Israeli art, technology and tourism will be held in the shopping mall of First Canadian Place, at King and Bay, May 27 to June 4. Main sponsors are the consulate-general of Israel and Olympia and York Development Ltd., who manage the building.

The exhibition is open to the public free of charge during mall hours. Included will be:

- a 60-piece display entitled The Israeli Printmaker.
- a continuous running multimedia 16 projector show on Jerusalem.
- A variety of local and Israeli artwork.
- An Israeli exhibit entitled Children Paint Peace.

Bialik Hebrew Day School's choir and dancers will perform at 12:30 and 1:15 p.m. at the fountain on the lower level, Monday, May 31 and Tuesday, June 1.

The shopping centre's annual summer fashion show will feature swimwear by Gottex of Israel, at 12:15 and 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, June 3 and Friday, June 4.

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TORONTO —

Appointment of Steven Ain as campaign director of the United Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Toronto was announced last week by Toronto Jewish Congress president Wilfred Posluns.

At age 34, Ain is one of the youngest of North America's major UJA campaign directors, said Posluns.

Ain, who has worked his way through the ranks as a career professional in communal affairs, obtained his Master's degree in social work in 1970 and his first communal position was with the Canadian Jewish Congress as youth director.

Ain recalls this period — the early 70s — as a tumultuous one for the Canadian Jewish community. Among his other duties, Ain organized student demonstrations to protest Soviet political and emigration procedures against Jewish citizens. He led the mass protests during Alexei Kosygin's visit to Toronto in 1971. "They may not love us in Moscow," he commented, "but they'll never forget us."

In 1972, Ain returned to the University of Toronto for doctoral course work and then he returned to the CJC here for the next two years until he was recalled to his native Montreal to serve as assistant national director of CJC. In 1975, he took on the added role of secretary of the National Budgeting Conference and held that position for five years.



Steven Ain

In 1978, Ain returned to Toronto to establish the Canadian office of the Council of Jewish Federa-

tions and to serve as its director for the next two years.

In September of 1980, Ain assumed the post of budget director of Toronto Jewish Congress and participated also in the UJA campaign structure. He helped fashion the UJA's Montreal outreach program — designed to introduce arrivals from that city to Toronto Jewish community services.

Ain is married to the former Rosanne Fox of Montreal and they have three children: David, 10, Jonny, 8 and Lisa, 10 months.

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FOR SOVIET JEWRY

Students at Toronto's Forest Hill Collegiate held a rally in solidarity with young Jews in the Soviet Union, on Lag Ba'Omer, a festival whose celebration is banned by the Kremlin. Shown from left are: Genya Intrator, national chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry; Sarah Levy, school project organizer; Larry Grossman, Ontario minister of health; and Judith Bloom. Not shown is student Tom Schafer, rally co-organizer. [Michael Rumack photo]

New chairman of CPPME wants more study on Mideast

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO — More research and study on Mideast issues, an area where a paucity of insight exists, is one of the chief goals of David Demson, new chairman of the Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East (CPPME).

Demson is a professor of theology and director of graduate studies at Emmanuel College at the University of Toronto. He is also a Canadian delegate on the Committee for the University of UNESCO, a committee formed to protest the politicization of UNESCO, particularly its anti-Israel bias.

The CPPME held a 2-day annual conference

at Glendon campus last week. About 1,000 academics and about 30 university campuses across Canada are represented in CPPME. About 70 attended the conference.

The conference looked at such issues as the foreign policies of Canada, the United States and Soviet Union, the political implications of fundamentalist Islam and gave a prognosis on the Middle East.

Although the conference was open only to CPPME members and invited guests, CPPME intends to publish the papers presented.

Demson, who was a visiting lecturer at Hebrew University in 1978-79, said CPPME would actively encourage more scholars to work on Mideast issues. "There are many crucial areas to investigate," he said.

Shefman job expands

TORONTO — Alan Shefman has been appointed national director of field service of the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada and will continue to serve as director of the League's Central Region.

According to BB executive vice-president, Frank Dimant, "the reorganization of tasks of the professional staff of the League for Human Rights is an effort to better serve the Canadian Jewish community."

He said there has been "dramatic growth" in the activities of the League, including branch operations in Montreal, Winnipeg and an operation to be opened soon in Alberta. "It is imperative," he added, "that we be in a position to respond effectively to combat anti-Semitism and racism."

Currently some CPPME members are looking at the problem of refugees, Canadian foreign policy, its domestic determinants particularly — petro-dollar economics and crisis management in the Mideast during times of conflict and instability.

The aim of CPPME is not only to encourage study and analysis among its own members and chapters on campuses, but also to inform the public on complex Mideast issues through its bi-monthly magazine called Middle East Focus, said Demson, who is an editor of the magazine.

He told The CJN that while CPPME has a low profile, its magazine is



David Demson

read by members of the external affairs department and that CPPME chairmen have been consulted by federal and provincial members of parliament as well as the media.

Demson stressed that CPPME was open and willing to entertain controversy, but that its membership is based on the principle that all existing states in the Middle East have a right to be recognized as legitimate.

Demson said increased membership in CPPME is not high on the agenda. "We already have a high percentage of the faculty on Canadian university campuses. The main goal is to better inform the academic community on Mideast issues," he emphasized.

First chairman of CPPME was Irwin Cotler, now the president of Canadian Jewish Congress.

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Child-related crimes decrease in areas with Block Parents

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

A youngster en route home from school encounters a menacing dog, a bully with a stick, or a persuasive adult who urges, "Come with me!"

What does the child do? If he or she is fortunate, one of the neighboring homes will have a Block Parent insignia in the window, indicating that help is just a few steps away.

Started in 1968 in London, Ontario's National Council of Jewish Women, the Block Parent program was a response to several unsolved murders of children and a high incidence of child molesting in the area.

Because of the group's concern, a relatively unknown concept from California was introduced to the citizens of London, and given firm support by the police department and the two school boards.

As surrounding communities adopted the Block program, there was a marked decrease in child-related crimes.

Canada Safety Council copyrighted the symbol — a silhouette of an adult holding a child's hand — in 1975, and promoted the program across the country.

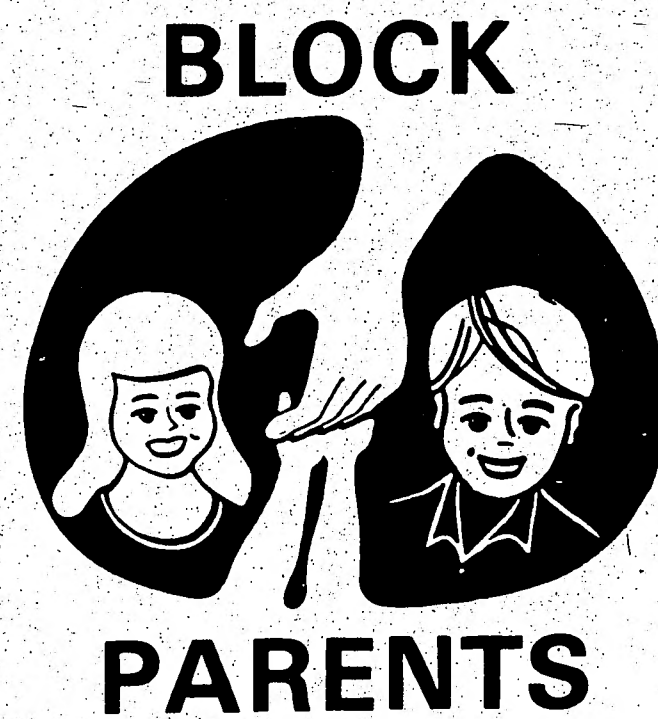
There are now 700 Block Parent communities nationwide, patterned after the London forerunner. Governing body is the Canada Safety Council, and within each province, the Block Parent program is administered by the provincial Safety League.

A national newsletter links organizers across Canada, and the provinces also publish their own newsletters. An annual conference is held in May.

A Block Parent sign in the window not only means that immediate help is available, it also acts as a deterrent to unwanted advances.

If, for any reason, a Block Parent is unavailable, the sign is removed from the window. Absence of the sign does NOT mean the house is unattended.

A Block Parent home offers refuge when children are alarmed by strangers or vicious animals, are ill, lost, being bullied, or involved in an accident.



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The Block Parent is NOT expected to provide refreshments, toilet facilities or transportation, to leave his or her home to break up fights, or become physically involved with a dangerous person.

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Block Parents are simply volunteers who agree to act as sensible, responsible adults in an emergency.

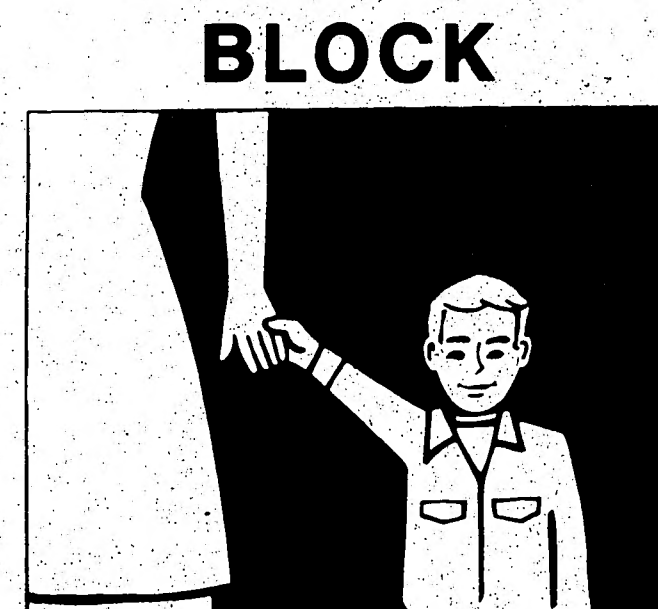
In the last few years, two new programs have been added in Ontario: the Rural Block Parent program, and the Apartment Block Parent program.

The rural program uses

mailbox decals in conjunction with the standard house sign when the home is too far from the road. The decal is always in place; the house sign is only posted when the Block Parents are available.

In the apartment program, a metal sign placed over the top of the corridor door is held in place by the door frame, and cannot be removed when the door is closed. This program, serving only tenants and visitors, decreases crime and vandalism within the building.

Through the schools, children are constantly reminded of Block Parent safety rules by teachers and police safety officers. Communities wanting to initiate the Block Parent program may contact their provincial Safety League.



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In Hamilton divisions... Bonds campaign chairmen announced

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Cuppy Katz and Tom Weisz have been named general campaign chairmen of the local State of Israel Bonds campaign and Yetta Freeman and Joy Rochberg will head up the Women's Division; it was announced last week.

Katz and Weisz, in a joint statement, declared that "we take great pride in the role our community plays in the Israel Bond drive. Friends of Israel in Hamilton fully understand that Israel needs low-cost investment dollars, mobilized through the sale of Bonds, to help it deal with the new economic challenges that confront the country in light of recent Middle East events."

The only native Hamiltonian in this quartet, Katz is co-owner, with his brother Bernie (chairman of last year's Hamilton UJA campaign) of Dominion Auto Supply and Wrecking Co. Ltd.

Katz is an active member of Viceroy Reading Lodge, B'nai B'rith and of the Masonic Lodge, of both Temple Anshe Shalom and the Adas Israel Congregation and a member of the board of directors of Shalom Village. And through his company he has over the past 20 years actively sponsored numerous men's, women's and children's sports activities.

Thomas Weisz came to Canada in 1951 from Hungary with his parents, Arthur and Margaret Weisz. The recipient of a silver medal as well as

other awards at Osgoode Hall Law School, he obtained his LL.M. at Harvard University and returned in 1971 to practice law in Toronto.

Back in Hamilton since 1979, he now has his own firm and is president of Effort Trust. He is a trustee of Temple Anshe Shalom, a former trustee of B'nai B'rith Viceroy Reading Lodge and a past board member of Jewish Community Centre. His wife Sasha is a past chairman of the Women's Division of Hamilton Bonds and current vice-chairman of the Hamilton UJA campaign women's division.

The two Women's Division chairmen are Montrealer Yetta Freeman and Torontonian Joy Rochberg. Both came to

Hamilton upon their marriages, Yetta Cooperman to Zoltan Freeman and Joy Paszkowicz to Joe Rochberg, and both have long and distinguished records of volunteer work.

Mrs. Freeman is a past president and charter member of Hamilton Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women as well as a charter life member of Rebecca Taylor Chapter. In 1974 the Rochbergs were Hamilton delegates to the Prime Minister's International Israel Bonds Conference.

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TJC, OISE student program examines Holocaust



Alan Bardikoff, chairman of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee's education committee, speaks with survivor Nathan Leipziger and high school students.

Shul's humanitarian award presented to Paul Godfrey

TORONTO — More than 500 people gathered at Beth Shalom Synagogue recently when Paul Godfrey, chairman of Metropolitan Toronto, was presented with the Beth Shalom Brotherhood's Humanitarian Award.

The prestigious award has been presented annually since 1951. The four most recent recipients of the plaque were Bora Laskin, Chief Justice of Canada, who received it in 1978; Ontario Premier William Davis, in 1979; Harold Adamson, former Metro Toronto chief of police, in 1980; and Governor-General Edward Schreyer, in 1981.

Speakers at the dinner honoring Godfrey included Robert Kaplan, solicitor general of Canada; Dennis Timbrell, Ontario minister of agriculture; Roy McMurtry, attorney-general of Ontario; and

Rev. Richard D. Jones, a past recipient, who is president emeritus of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

Additional speakers were Arthur Eggleton, mayor of Toronto; Mel Lastman, mayor of the City of North York; Gayle Christie, mayor of the Borough of York; Gordon Saltzman, president of the

Beth Shalom Brotherhood; David Monson, rabbi of Beth Shalom Synagogue; Frank Cadesky, chairman of the dinner; Mendel Green, co-chairman; and lawyer Harvey Spiegel, who paid special tribute to Godfrey's father, Philip, celebrating his 72nd birthday on the same day that his son received the award.

By TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO — Some 340 students and 50 teachers participated recently in a seminar on the Holocaust at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE).

The Holocaust Student Seminar Day was sponsored by the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the Toronto Jewish Congress and the department of educational administration at OISE.

Students from 23 public and separate schools who participated in the program used seminar day activities as part of their course work on the Holocaust in their history and English classes. They came from as far away as Oshawa, Picton and South River.

The day began with an introduction by Alan Bardikoff, program co-ordinator, and Rabbi Mark Shapiro, chairman, Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the TJC. A BBC film Genocide was shown to the participants who later held small group seminars for historical and factual study of the Holocaust.

Seminars discussed issues such as how the Nazis

came to power, Canada's response to Nazism, and the concentration camps. Following the morning seminars, the students again split up into small groups with survivors to

gain first hand information on the horrors of the Holocaust.

As a culmination to the full day program, the last series of seminars focused on the contemporary im-

plication of the Holocaust for Canadian society.

Twenty-one seminar leaders participated in the day's program. They were clergymen, social workers, public and Hebrew school teachers, professors and community volunteers.

The seniors' population in the London, Ont. Jewish community has grown by 43% not by 18% as indicated in Moura Wolpert's article in The CJN on April 1. It was this unusually large increase

in the 55-plus age group which was behind the planning for the new 38-unit seniors residence, says Robert Hubsher, community worker with the London Jewish Community Centre.

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Hampstead features luxury homes

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Noik describes the 11 luxury homes in the Hampstead Place development on York Hills Blvd., north of Steeles and east of Bathurst, in Thornhill.

They're part of the

O'Meara Developments Ltd. subdivision of 100 2-storey, 4-bedroom, clay-brick houses which were sold easily last year during the real estate boom. But 11 of the buyers were ham-

strung by high interest rates and had to give up their houses.

Now the 11 dwellings are up for sale at what real estate saleswoman Ahuva Benegbi calls "fair market prices."

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About 85% of the occupants of the other 89 Hampstead Place homes are Jewish, says Noik. He's an Israeli-born developer whose partners in the project are Samuel Herzog, Shelley Switzer, and Howard Sokolsky.

"Nine of the 11 homes for sale are in a lovely cul-de-sac, which provides great privacy," he said. "Purchasers will find themselves in a luxury neighborhood — one of their neighbors, for example, occupying a house valued at well over \$300,000."

The 11 houses have a footage of about 40 feet by 100 feet on average, and the sodded lots range from 2,280 square feet to 2,850 square feet.

Some of the features include: perimeter alarm systems; family rooms with fireplaces on the main floor; designer pedestal sink in the main-floor powder room; separate shower stalls in en suite bathrooms; a choice of broadloom; a choice of

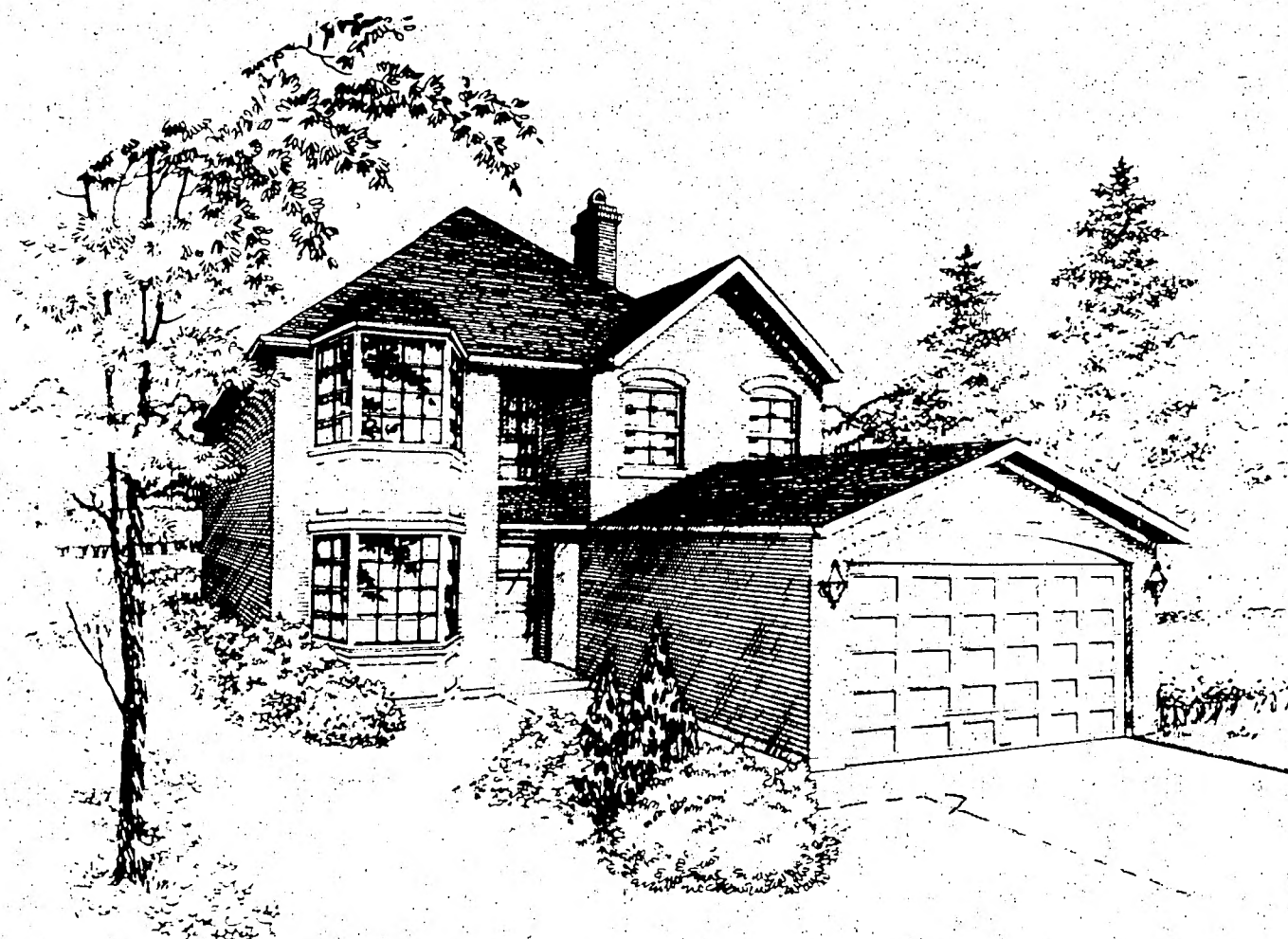
ceramic tiles; vacuum systems; intercoms; AM and FM radios.

Other facilities include smoke detectors on a separate circuit; an energy-saving insulation package; solid oak handrail, spindles and oak stringers on circular stairs; and free aluminum soffits, fascias, eavestroughs, and drainpipes.

Noik says at least two synagogues — one Reform and one Orthodox — are planned for the community of 7,000 homes springing up in the area. Also planned are two large parks, several schools, and a bus service for York Hills Blvd. as well as Clark St., which runs from Bathurst to Yonge. The Towne and Country Shopping Plaza is located at Yonge and Steeles.

"Buyers are not pioneering in a wilderness," said Noik. "The rest of the subdivision is occupied, and there are a lot of young couples and families with children."

Mortgages can be arranged, he said, at the rate of 13-7/8%.



Hampstead Place homes in Thornhill feature privacy in cul-de-sac locale. Prices range from \$162,900 to \$190,000.

Condominium has twin 12-storey towers and own self-contained shopping centre

TORONTO — A new Camargue, which is a top-of-the-line Rolls-Royce, would cost you \$225,000.

But the most expensive suite in The Camargue II, which is the new Lebovic Enterprises luxury condominium project under construction in Scarborough, is considered

by Willy Lebovic a bargain at \$125,580.

Willy and his brother Joseph Lebovic, both in their 50s and both advocates of architectural elegance, are investing about \$40 million in The Camargue II's twin 12-storey towers and \$5 million in its self-contained shopping centre. The project is in the

same grand tradition of The Camargue I, which the Lebovics built two years ago, and up until now has been regarded as one of Scarborough's most lavish condominium developments.

The Camargue II will offer 434 elegant suites in a range of 12 models, with a starting price of \$51,350. They vary from a 1-bedroom suite of 790 square feet to a suite with two bedrooms and a den, and a floor area of 1,794 square feet.

Model suites will be completed and open for inspection in June, and available for occupation in August. Each suite has individually controlled air-conditioning; en suite laundry room; and built-in dish-

washer.

A typical 2-bedroom suite has the kitchen conveniently located on your left as you enter. The adjoining dining room combines with a spacious living room to give you an area 27 feet in length, advertised as ideal for entertaining. With its expansive bay windows, the living room takes full advantage of the view.

Both bedrooms also take in the full scope of the outlook. One bedroom has an en suite bathroom, the other a shower stall. The master bedroom has a walk-in closet, with a generous 95 square feet of space and cushion vinyl flooring.

The Camargue II is an adult complex which



Willy Lebovic (left) named Camargue I and II condominium projects after his prized top-of-the-line Rolls Royce. His brother, Joe Lebovic, past president of the Urban Development Institute of Ontario, is known to condo residents as "unofficial mayor of Scarborough."

offers abundant recreation facilities. A health centre features an indoor swimming pool and two tennis courts. There's a social-and-games room for parties; even a hobby room for do-it-yourselfers.

The twin towers feature their own convenient skywalk, and the shopping centre makes it a miniature city within a city. There'll be a major food outlet in the centre and retail boutiques.

Lebovic Enterprises has been a prime devel-

oper of the district, bordering Meadowdale Road and the Metro zoo. It's a prosperous area which today contains 2,500 homes and a population of some 14,000.

Camargue II is a few steps from a park. A TTC bus service provides direct connections to the subway. Those interested are advised to drive east on Highway 401 from Yonge St. to Meadowdale Road in Scarborough; details are available at Lebovic Enterprises site office at 281-6511.



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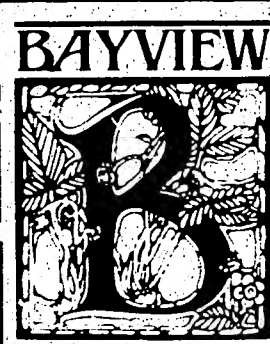
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adds, the Excalibur is a veritable majestic beauty.

Pellow is a bit prejudiced about this queen of cars, but not excessively so. He is advertising director of Parkwood Central, Toronto's largest Chevrolet, Oldsmobile and Cadillac dealer, located at 2400 Yonge St., two blocks north of Eglinton.

His company is also sole Eastern Canadian distributor of Excalibur, that low-slung, sporty, epitome of opulence and nostalgia, which evokes for luxury car fanciers the flamboyance of the F. Scott Fitzgerald era.

Parkwood Central expects to sell no more than 15 of these classic cars this year. They come in 2-seater and 4-seater models, sell for \$75,000 to \$85,000, are powered by a GM V8 engine, and blend streamlined engineering with the distinctive styling of the Mercedes-Benz 540K of 1937 to 1938.

Pellow virtually trembles with exultation and almost bows with reverence as he stands back to admire his model's royal appointments.

Spiffy with chrome and fibreglass, it is equipped with two roofs — a hard one and soft one, according to your

taste and mood. And it has genuine spoke wheels — none of your artificial hubcaps. And its dual spotlights and grille work are elegant dazzlers that beguile and caress the eye — poetry on wheels.

The Milwaukee-based Excalibur Automobile Corp. builds a limited edition of 300 of its cars per year for its elitist fans. The buyers are a clubby and, of course, moneyed group. Frank Sinatra, Liberace, Dean Martin, Jackie Gleason, Kenny Rogers and Sonny and Cher are among the famous U.S. owners. Steve McQueen had one and Phyllis Diller



A \$75,000 Excalibur, billed as the World's Most Exotic Auto, was recently flown to Toronto for display at Parkwood Central on Yonge, Eastern Canada's sole distributor of the limited edition car.

purchased no fewer than four. In Canada, North York Mayor Mel Lastman is well known as an Excalibur enthusiast.

But the prime celebrity is the car itself. It exudes power without arrogance, beauty without conceit, and is the most looked-at production automobile in North America today, says Pellow.

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He expressed optimism last week when his 3-year-old company began construction of the first 10 deluxe houses of a subdivision on Aileen Rd. in Thornhill, north of Steeles and east of Bayview. Known as Rosefield Homes —

Thornhill 82 Edition, the project will consist of 40 two-storey houses, ranging in price from \$112,400 (three to four bedrooms, 1,518 square feet) to \$229,900 (five bedrooms, 3,050 square feet).

Atteslander says he anticipates no difficulty in selling them. Five of the initial 10 houses have already been sold sight unseen, and the

other five are all-brick, model detached homes which contain a number of luxury features.

All 40 houses will offer a choice of broadloom and brick finishes; circular staircases and oak railings; a choice of painted or stained mahogany doors and trim, with lever door handles either brass or bronze-finished; broadloom

and chandeliers in the dining room.

Furthermore, each custom-designed house will be equipped with fireplaces; two bathrooms and one powder room; copper wiring with a circuit breaker electric panel; a double stainless steel kitchen sink with single lever faucet; and rough-ins for air-conditioning units, intercoms, security alarms and basement washrooms.

Each lot will be sodded; frontages will range from 30 to 50 feet wide, and depths from 115 to 160 feet. Most will feature family rooms, and there will be a full choice of ceramic tile in the front vestibule and cushioned flooring in the kitchen and bathrooms.

Atteslander says the Bayview area of Thornhill is a growing community, whose inhabitants are 80% Jewish. Nearby are three synagogues: the Reform Har Zion Temple on Bayview south of John Ave.; the Conservative Shalom Congregation at Don Mills and Simonston Blvd.; and the Conservative Beth Tikvah Congregation on Bayview south of Finch. Children will find

convenient two elementary schools in the area, Johnstown and Bayview Fairways, as well as the nearby Thornlea Secondary School.

The neighborhood also provides such amenities as well-paved roads and sidewalks on Aileen; a Markham Transit bus stop at the corner of Aileen and John; a new shopping centre at John and Bayview; a hockey rink, public library and three theatres at Thornhill Plaza.

Atteslander expects

sales amounting to \$6 million this year from the Thornhill development. And he anticipates a gross of \$4 million from his firm's Mason Heights Estates project in Mississauga, near Highways 5 and 10, where 22 of 36 new 2-storey, 4-bedroom houses have been built. They range in price from \$154,900 to \$174,900, and Atteslander says 14 of the 22 have already been sold.

Finished models are open for viewing at the Mason Heights Estates location.

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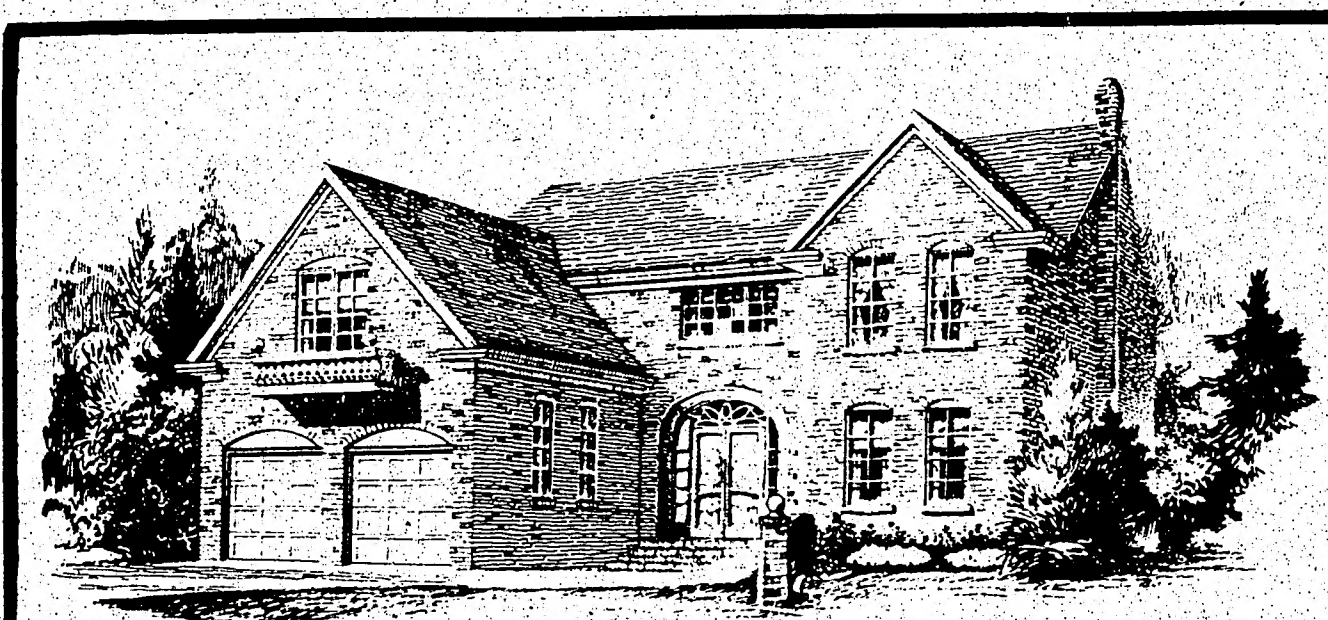
Every surface of the bathroom is wipe-clean. There are no draperies or curtains to wash and iron. The louvered shutters and doors need only a quick vacuuming occasionally.

The white "quarry tile" floor is Armstrong's new Designer Solarian II vinyl. The quarry tile pattern looks extra-realistic because the no-wax surface isn't highly shiny the way so many others are.

Accessories — the ornate wicker chair and the ceramic table in the shape of a tree trunk, for holding bath oils and lotions — are no bother either. They're also wipe-clean.

Good-looking and functional: both adjectives fairly describe this spacious bathroom for a working couple.

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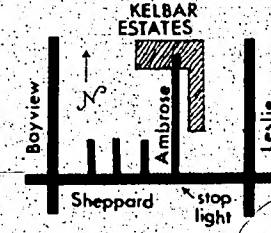
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Kennedy's presidency comes under review



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By BERNARD BASKIN

The Kennedy Imprisonment
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The author of this searing analysis of the Kennedy family asserts that John F. Kennedy was a libertine, a liar, an irresponsible adventurer and a menace to world peace. Is such a vicious appraisal to be believed? Is this the handsome, charismatic personality whose death was mourned with bitter tears? Was the Camelot dream a fantasy?

For Gary Wills, journalist and historian, the facts are unassailable. He culls his information from a number of previous

books about the Kennedy family and places it in a philosophical framework in which the "attempt at total control leads to breakdown and disaster."

Was John F. Kennedy a libertine? From his father, the flamboyant and strident Joseph Kennedy, he inherited his flagrant, insensitive womanizing. The bedroom door in the Kennedy White House was ever revolving. Neither his marriage nor the proprieties of his high office curtailed his numerous affairs. His marriage to Jacqueline Bouvier was as much a matter of politics as romance. As for Jackie, "Like Rose Kennedy, but for very different reasons, she would not

criticize her husband's affairs with other women. It was part of the world she knew, where fame and money and glamour cost something."

Was John F. Kennedy a liar? He shamelessly exaggerated his role as a war hero. Although his courage under fire was real enough, his embellishments were spurious. Rarely has "a military episode been so expertly merchandized for its political value. In the White House, Kennedy oversaw all aspects of the movie made about his adventure, approving the script and director, choosing the star, Cliff Robertson."

Kennedy won the coveted Pulitzer Prize for Profiles in Courage, a series of biographical sketches of outstanding Americans. The book, however, was the result of assistance from friends, and much of it was written by a number of eminent historians.

"In taking the prize, Kennedy falsified the facts of the book's production and spent all his remaining years covering up that

falsification. He lied to the nation... perpetuated his image as a prize-winning author and historian. This aided his career in many ways."

Was John F. Kennedy a reckless adventurer? Filled with machismo, the youthful president favored bold and resolute action. He liked quick and daring decisions. Not for him the dullness, caution and prudence of his golf-playing successor, Dwight Eisenhower. The Bay of Pigs fiasco, for example, was the result of reckless bravado and improper planning. The distinctive note of the Bay of Pigs invasion was that it was a military operation run without the military's control, an invasion force created specifically by the CIA itself. Later, the plan would look so crazy that people could not credit its acceptance in the first place. But it made sense to a James Bond fan."

Was John F. Kennedy a menace to world peace? The famous Cuban missile crisis showed the president at his most intransigent. When Adlai Stevenson suggested a sensible diplomatic solution, he was roundly denounced. Kennedy asserted that "Adlai wanted a Munich." According to Wills, the fact that the crisis turned out "well" was a tribute to Krushchev's restraint. He points out that this "glorious" victory led to a series of unfortunate reactions — including the American attitude that led to the war in Vietnam. "We purchased submission at the price of later intransigence, which is often the case after gratuitous humiliation."

the regime, for one reason or another.

What is undeniably clear is where Speer stood. Although he admitted his failures and his crimes in the Nuremberg trials, Speer was as guilty as the rest of his henchmen. He tolerated anti-Semitism and pogroms. He may have known about the Holocaust. He gladly used slave laborers. He lengthened the duration of the war.

Speer spent 20 years in Spandau prison, reconstructing the past. The books he produced are valuable and insightful. But one should remember this, too, Albert Speer cried once in his life — when he heard that Hitler had put a bullet in his head.

Written with verve, passion and wit — yet not without feeling and understanding for the dilemma of the Kennedys — this gossipy, controversial, disturbing work raises questions about the ambiguity of power, the importance of the media, and the role and influence of the presidency.

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IPO concert—event of the year

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By RICK KARDONNE

The big event of the coming week is, of course, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra concert at Massey Hall, 9:30 p.m., May 29, with Zubin Mehta as conductor and Shlomo Mintz as solo violinist. Mintz is probably the world's greatest under-30 violinist. Born in Russia in 1957, he grew up and studied in Israel with Ilona Feher, who brought him to the attention of Isaac Stern, who in turn recommended that he study with Dorothy Delay at Juilliard. Since that time, he has commanded the attention of other illustrious musicians, including Pablo Casals.

Mintz had a tremendous following in Israel; it culminated in him being selected by Zubin Mehta to replace an ailing colleague, in a performance of the Paganini Concerto in D major with the Israel Philharmonic.

Mintz has a distinctive style. It was apparent in his spectacular lead rendition of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto with the Toronto Symphony (under the direction of Andrew Davis) at Massey Hall last month. His performance is all buoyant sunshine.

Mintz made his New York debut in 1973 at Carnegie Hall with the Pittsburgh Symphony (under William Steinberg), performing Max Bruch's Violin Concerto #1 in G Minor, which he will again perform here May 29. The other major work on the program will be Mahler's Symphony #5 in C Minor.

This year commemorates the 100th birthday of the founder of the Israel Philharmonic, Bronislaw Huberman. In 1936, he unified a collection of European-Jewish refugee-musicians fleeing Hitler into what was to

become one of the world's greatest orchestras. To celebrate this centenary, the IPO will stage a festival week in Tel Aviv, under the baton of its musical director, Zubin Mehta, which will culminate in one truly epic concert, Dec. 19, featuring Isaac Stern, Yitzhak Perlman, Pinchas Zuckerman, Nathan Milstein, Henryk Szering, Montreal's Ida Haendel, and Shlomo Mintz — in other words, an assembly of the world's greatest living violinists all performing in one event. Building up to this climax will be a week of symphonic concerts featuring each of the above-listed virtuosi on different nights.

A special festival tour for Torontonians is being arranged, which will, in addition, include tours of Jerusalem, Haifa, Akko, Masada, Caesaria, and three days in Eilat. Tour guides will be myself. All inquiries should be directed to The Travel Trade Agency, 2652 Yonge St., 484-0841.

The Toronto Jewish Folk Choir, under the direction of William Phillips, with accompanist Lena Zemelman, will stage its annual spring concert at the Hart House Great Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 30. Featured as guest artist will be cellist Ofra Harony, and soloists are Daniel Neff (baritone) and Kathy Dooney (soprano). The program will also include the folksong suite, Album Lieder, arranged by Max Halffman; Srul Glick's Yiddish Suite for Choir and Cello (based on texts by Canadian Yiddish poets); and V. Heifetz's Oif'n Fidl (On the Fiddle), with text adapted by I. E. Ronch, based on Sholem Aleichem's short story.

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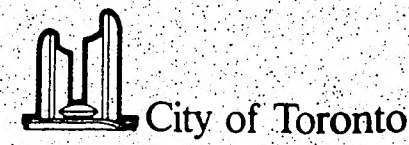
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Shlomo Mintz

The past few Folk Choir concerts have been characterized by a high degree of technical polish. Phillips is one of the leading chamber-music conductors in Canada (as director of the New Chamber Orchestra) and his leadership guarantees highest musical standards.

Canada's Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations this year compared favorably with New York and other major Diaspora centres.

with only Vancouver not having a major Israeli entertainer. Toronto had Yaffa Yarkoni, Montreal had the Duo Reim, and Edmonton had Chava Alberstein. (New York had Mike Burstein and Shoshana Damari.)

Canada's east coast was not neglected as Rivka Peter performed in Halifax, St. John's, Nfld., and Saint John, N.B., while Shoshana Ron was in Cape Breton and Fredericton, N.B. The Canadian Zionist Federation deserves much credit for bringing a taste of Israeli culture here.

The composer of one of the most popular Israeli versions of Sim Shalom is Cantor Jonathan Koren, who recently arrived at Beth Shalom Synagogue in Toronto. Born in Haifa, where he sang in the Haifa Choral, Koren directed and arranged many folk albums in Israel.

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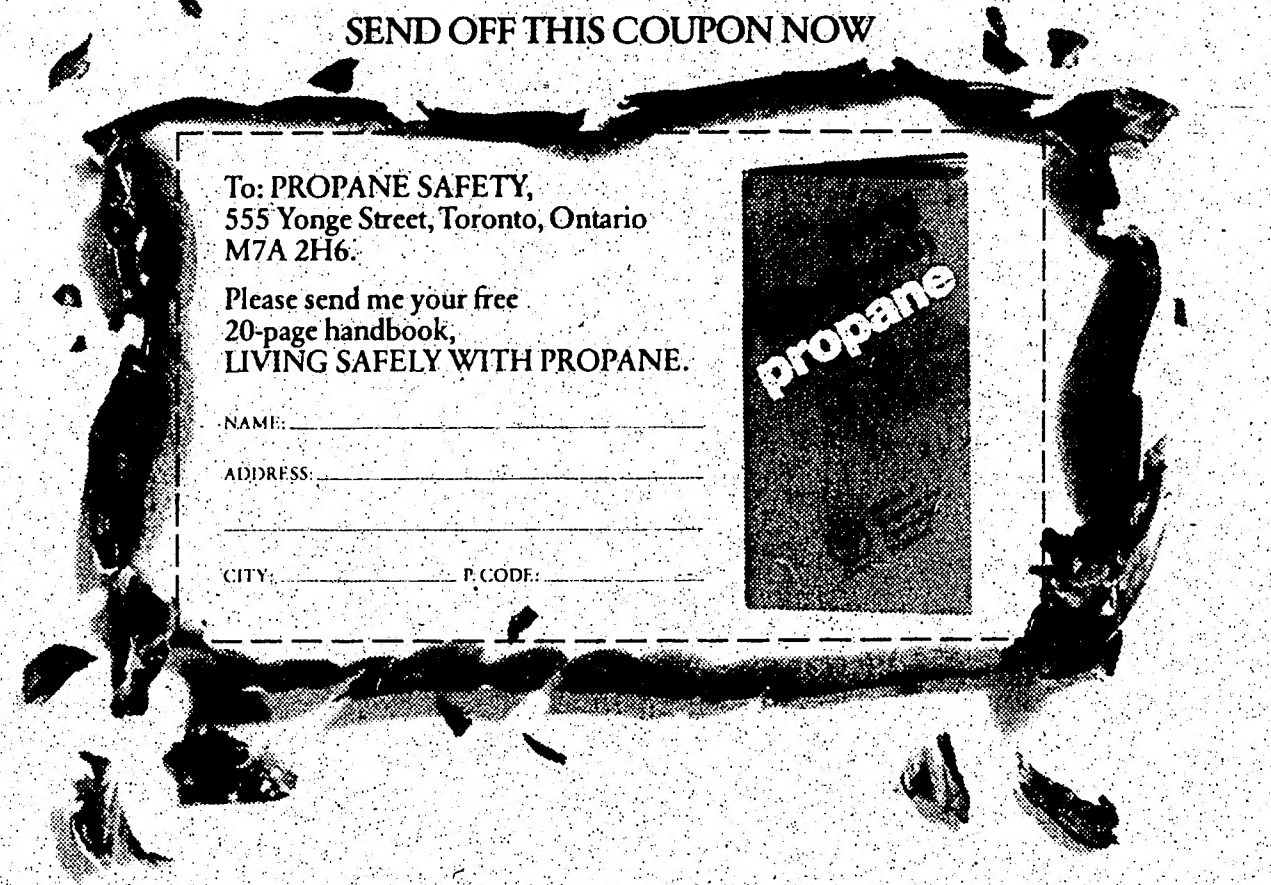
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OVERVIEW

Toronto Jewish schools are showing remarkable growth in enrolment and diversity. There are Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, secular, Yiddishist, chassidic, Sephardic, and non-denominational schools as well as schools for the learning disabled and for Russian immigrant children.

Classes in these schools are offered during day hours or evenings, at elementary and secondary levels, in co-ed settings or for boys and girls separately, and in almost all sections of the city where there is a large number of Jews.

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Officials and participants gather at opening event of National Bible Contest.

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Added Witte: "It increases their respect and love for Jewish education." He mentioned that one previous winner took time off from his medical studies to coach this year's local participants. Another previous winner, decided to pursue a career in Jewish education, and is currently a teacher at Ulpianat Orot School, which played host to this year's finals.

The NBC, open to all pupils of day and afternoon schools in Canada, really begins in September, when contestants are sent a list of biblical passages to study from which they will be tested.

Written examinations are held regionally in March; to qualify for the finals, a mark of at least 80% must be obtained.

"This year, the 24th annual contest, close to 200 students wrote the regionals and 122 took part in the finals," said Malitzky.

Toronto fielded 66 finalists; Montreal, 49; Winnipeg, 3; Calgary, 2; and Ottawa, 2.

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Site of the finals alternates between Toronto and Montreal. Out-of-town students are boarded with participants' families.

This year's winners were Eli Kodesh, at Montreal's Hebrew Academy, and Yacov Bassar, at Toronto's Eitz Chaim Schools, in the Hebrew senior (grades 9-12) and junior (grades 6-8) divisions, respectively. Both are eligible to represent Canada in the next International Bible Contest, held annually in Jerusalem on Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Michael Sidlofsky, of Holy Blossom Synagogue's congregational school, won in the afternoon school division, in which oral and written quizzes are conducted in English. The winner of this division is not sent to the international contest.

The Israeli event is in Hebrew only — but is declared Canada's national champion.

Second place in the senior division was taken by Isaac Becker, of Associated Hebrew Day Schools, with Snowdon Talmud Torah's Esther Lang third. In the junior division, second place was won jointly by BatSheva Wenner of Associated and Dina Grubner of Eitz Chaim.

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Chaim, Ilana Sacknovitz, Eitz Chaim, won third place. Daryl Lancou, at Toronto's Temple Emanuel, took second place in the afternoon school division.

Additional sponsors this year were three Toronto-area B'nai B'rith lodges — Leonard Mayzel, Upper Canada and Canyon.

Aaron Nussbaum, education director of Toronto's United Synagogue Day Schools, was the national chairman of the 1982 contest. Co-ordinating the Toronto finals was Rabbi Azriel Dvir, CZF shaliach to Toronto's BJE and national education consultant from the World Organization of Torah department. Judges included Rabbi Dvir, Malka Mirsky, a consultant at the BJE who also teaches at Adath Israel congregational school, Israeli consul-general David Ariel, and several teachers at schools not involved in this year's contest.

Danyael Cantor, assistant director of the CZF's national bureau of education, told The CJN that his office "works to give Jewish children across Canada a love of Israel and Zion. The Bible contest is a manifestation of the success of our endeavors."

It is also a growing enterprise. Malitzky pointed out that the turnout of participants this year was the highest in the contest's history. Last year, there were less than 100 finalists. "Seven years ago there were about 40," he said.

"The response has been so good from everyone involved," Malitzky added. "And the kids, they're having a ball."

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TORONTO —

A young family has just moved to Toronto from Sarnia and is interested in learning what Jewish educational options are available for their four children.

The North York school board is interested in developing a professional development program for teachers of a world religions course, and needs help on the portion of the program dealing with Judaism.

A group of parents in suburban Toronto wants to initiate a new supplementary school, and needs help in organizing a course of studies and recruiting teachers.

An instructor at a Jewish day school requires several films or filmstrips for a course on Zionism and Israel.

Several afternoon schools are anxious to involve involvement in the Heritage program which links Hebrew classes to the North York public school system, from which they obtain partial funding for language instruction, and seek centralized guidance.

A freshman teacher is experiencing difficulty with a large class, and needs professional assistance in order to introduce grouping in her room, and the appropriate materials to meet the needs of each group.

A principal needs to know the salary category for a teacher he plans to hire, but requires an evaluation of the teacher's credentials and prior experience.

What do the foregoing have in common? They all turn to the Toronto Board of Jewish Education in their search for help. The board is the central agency for Jewish education and provides services to 56 school units,

representing the diversity of educational and ideological commitments which exist in Metro.

Established in 1949, under the name Bureau of Jewish Education, the agency, which opened initially with only one full time professional and limited clerical assistance, functions today through the labors of seven professionals and a clerical staff of seven.

The aim of the board, as set forth in its statement of purpose, is "to improve instruction in its affiliated schools by setting standards for teacher certification; co-ordinate the efforts of many autonomous school bodies; develop meaningful programs for the intensification of Jewish learning; and upgrade the professional quality of those institutions and individuals who look to the BJE for educational leadership."

Guiding the work of the agency is its executive director, Rabbi Irwin E. Witte. Associate director Harold R. Malitzky, senior consultant Dr. Shoshana Kurtz, media centre director Avihu Bar-el, and director of school finances Bernard Shoub, make up the remaining members of a team that has made an important contribution, and often a vital impact, on Jewish education in Toronto.

Others currently involved in the BJE's efforts are Rabbi Azriel Dvir, shaliach of the Jewish Agency department of Torah education and culture, who serves as a consultant to day schools, and Malka Mirsky, completing a 2-year assignment as co-ordinator of school programs.

"What began as a small, limited office for the co-ordination of certain educational and fiscal dimensions of Toronto's Jewish schools, has bur-

geoned over the years to the point where it is now a large-scale operation, involved on a variety of fronts in the community's Jewish educational enterprise," says Rabbi Witte.

A major activity of the board is its involvement with school personnel. BJE staff recruit, evaluate and place teachers in affiliated schools. A Board of License and Review, consisting of a panel of educators and laymen, oversees teacher categorization, considers teacher credentials, and hears appeals from teachers on matters related to their professional standing.

Personnel issues also include monitoring pension payments by and for teachers, maintaining a substitute teachers' registry, and conducting a wide variety of professional development and in-service programs.

With the inauguration of the Jewish teacher training program at York University, which has been developed in co-operation with the Board of Jewish Education, the staff of the agency has been closely involved in providing guidance and consultation to university personnel and students.

Dr. Kurtz and Rabbi Witte teach students enrolled in the program.

The BJE carries on a regular consultation service for its affiliated schools, always mindful of the need to protect the ideological integrity of the school, as well as its religious philosophy. "We often wish that we had sufficient staff to meet the many requests which are

made for us to visit classes and work with teachers in the development of programs and teaching strategies," says Witte.

The board serves as a much sought-out information bank. Inquiries come in a steady stream, seeking responses to questions about school enrolment statistics, fees, Jewish educational programs in Jewish communities outside of Toronto or outside of Canada, job opportunities in local schools, evaluation procedures, government aid to independent schools, textbooks, etc.

The BJE Media Resources Centre is probably the largest collection of its sort anywhere on the North American continent. The centre, developed by its first director, the late Joseph Shoham, has a collection of over 5,200 films, filmstrips, slide programs, audio cassettes, video tapes, video cassettes, and overhead transparencies — all dealing with a wide variety of Jewish themes and teacher training.

Materials are available at the Media Centre in Hebrew, Yiddish and English. Want to hear Jerusalem of Gold in Finnish? See a Yemite seder? View a film on Jewish burial rites? Screen some footage of PLO propaganda? Experience vicariously a visit with the Lubavitcher Rebbe? Learn about cities? You can do all of these via materials you can obtain from the BJE media depot.

As part of its co-ordination function, the BJE

conducts a variety of joint projects among the schools: a local and regional Bible contest; inter-school music and dance festivals (the latter in co-operation with the JCC); a Jewish Book Month contest in Hebrew and English; an inter-school Parents' Council; principals' meetings; and regular meetings of day school administrators.

Through its department of school finances, the BJE supervises the distribution of community funds (raised through the annual UJA campaign) which are channeled to Jewish schools in the form of grants and subventions, and monitors closely fiscal operations. Every detail of the financial management of community's educational dollars is scrutinized. Staff salaries, ongoing expenditures for school needs, tuition fee reductions, and income sources, all come under the watchful eye of the director of school finances.

Over the years, as a result of developments in public education in Ontario, as well as a growing need for the centralization of Jewish educational efforts within the Jewish community, the board has come to serve as the address for government and public educational authorities apropos many concerns. "It's as though we have cultivated an external affairs department for our agency," says the director.

Thus, the BJE has become the vehicle for obtaining federal funds from the multiculturalism secretariat, office of the secre-

tary of state, for the teaching of Hebrew and French. It has taken a leading role in the campaign to obtain provincial funding of day schools. Its staff has arranged for the granting of ministry of education credit to be accorded to high school students who are learning Hebrew in a supplementary school.

Most recently, the board has waged the battle with the ministry of national revenues, on behalf of all day schools, for the continued granting of tax-deductible receipts for religious instruction.

Witte says that limitations of time, resources and personnel, often impose difficulties in the execution of some board activities. But, in the main, there is "great satisfaction in knowing that we have succeeded in many ways in expanding the services available to schools and individuals in need of help."

He says the agency would be unable to do very much without the devoted services of its lay leadership. "The amount of time, energy and talent that are placed at our disposal by members of the board is incredible," says the rabbi. "Without their support, and their firm endorsement of what we are doing, we could never achieve what we have thus far."

Irving (Yitz) Feldman, is chairman of the board. Charles Ziaon is chairman of its fiscal committee, and Sheila Freeman is chairman of its management and academic affairs committee.

Head of English department is about to retire from CHAT

By ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

In a teaching career that has spanned a half century, Ron Woollard has seen educational fads, innovations and "free classrooms" come and go. Through it all, he has managed to adhere to basic stringent standards in his special forte — imparting to several generations of students his own love for the English language.

At the end of this term, Mr. Woollard retires as head of the English department at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto, where he has taught for the past 10 years.

A fifth-generation Canadian, Ron Woollard was born in Calgary and moved to Toronto with his family at age 11. He attended Parkdale Collegiate and the University of Toronto.

His teaching career began in 1932 at Grace Street Public School, which was then located in a predominantly Jewish area of the city. He stayed there until 1959 when he decided to make a move into the secondary school system, and joined the staff at Central Technical School.

He also taught at Humboldt Collegiate for six years and at Bramalea where he headed the English department, for an additional six years before coming to CHAT in 1973.

Ron Woollard's vigor and youthful appearance belie the fact that he is a man well on in his 70's.

Gary Diamond, principal of the General Studies program at CHAT, said in an interview that "Ron's decision to leave is strictly his own. He's been a most valuable addition to the staff. Not only has he done a great deal for the English department, he's been of great assistance to the younger teachers in his department as well."

Ron's been a mainstay of our school. He set high standards and his stu-

dents lived up to his high expectations of them. In a society where discipline has become lax, I think students appreciated the structure and direction Ron Woollard gave them."

Ralph Shiff, chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress Cultural Council, recalls a meeting with Woollard last fall when he attended a parents' evening at CHAT, where his son Jonathan is a grade 10 student. Shiff recognized Woollard from his Grace Street Public School days.

"I asked if by chance he was Mr. Woollard," said Shiff. "And to my utter amazement he answered — yes, Ralph, and how's your brother Harry?" Imagine that! I hadn't seen him since I was in his class in 1943."

Shiff has fond memories of Woollard, including the ruler which he "used over the hands very effectively. Kids who don't have a teacher like him are missing something special in their lives. He was a strict disciplinarian and we need more like him, but I am grateful to him for another reason. He turned me on to reading and a lifetime love of books."

At a time when universities are decrying the low level of English usage in essays turned in by students, Woollard points with pride to the feedback he gets that "the majority of CHAT graduates are performing so much better than average" in essay writing.

"CHAT students are highly motivated," Woollard stated. "They come from homes which encourage learning, and, after all, this is a private school where we are able to give them more than they get in the public system."

Woollard said that in the innovative periods of the 50s, 60s and 70s when all the basics went out, he tried to maintain the same standards that were the norm when provincial requirements were more stringent.

However, Woollard was not one to turn a blind eye to new ideas. When he taught at Grace Public School, he would take time out during Jewish holi-

days when only a few students were in class, to go to other schools to observe the "progressive system," but invariably stood firm in his belief for the necessity to stick to the basics. Many educators are now coming round to his view that new is not necessarily better.

In 50 years of teaching, Ron Woollard figures he's spent half the time in schools with large Jewish enrolment. A number of his students are the offspring of former students, a fact he finds gratifying. "It gives you a feeling of continuity."

If it can be said that some are born to teach, Ron Woollard belongs to that rare breed. "Teaching is in the blood in my family," he says. "Three sons, great-aunts and two of my four daughters have all worked in the profession at one time or another."

Retirement for Woollard means much more time to work in his garden and more important, he'll be able to devote all the time he needs to playing the organ in his church.



CHAT veteran teacher Ron Woollard

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Shaar Shalom students observe Jewish Music Month with their annual Zimriyah.

350 students are attending 5-year old Shaar Shalom school

TORONTO — Shaar Shalom religious school, located in Zion Heights junior high school, now has 350 students, after five years of operation. The school is sponsored by Shaar Shalom Synagogue.

Students participate in a program that includes Hebrew studies, Bible, siddur, Jewish history, holidays, Israel, bar/bat mitzvah and dancing and singing. There are special events during the year to mark the holidays and

Bible contests. The school starts from junior kindergarten and continues through grade 8. Registration is open to all children — and there are special classes for older students who have never attended Hebrew school.

The school is under direction of well known educator Joseph Klingner and the staff comprises teachers "who are devoted to the education of our children in the tradition of Conservative Judaism." For applications call the school office, 881-9412.

JSCSU provides education for Soviet immigrants kids

By GARY COHEN

TORONTO — Under auspices of the Board of Jewish Education, the Jewish School for Children from the Soviet Union (JSCSU) has been established to provide youngsters of Soviet immigrants in Toronto access to a basic Jewish education.

Since its inception in the fall of 1978, the JSCSU has tried to integrate these children into the Jewish life of Toronto and meet their special educational requirements.

In its short history, the school has had 115 stu-

dents pass through its doors. Forty have continued in Jewish education programs at the JSCSU or other, more intensive, schools. The JSCSU's present enrolment stands at about 50 students.

The concept for the school came out of a series of meetings between representatives of the Board of Jewish Education, the immigrant community and the Association of Soviet Jewry in Canada. What evolved is a school that holds weekly classes and concentrates on a limited Jewish curriculum.

Taking into account the sparse background in Jewish culture and practice and the alienating effect of experiences with non-immigrant children, the school provides a cursory introduction to Jewish education in a more relaxed, reassuring setting than might be found at other schools.

There are three classes at the JSCSU accommodating students ranging from grades 1 to 8. Each class is supervised by a senior and junior teacher. Senior teachers are trained, accredited teachers in the city; junior teachers are recruited from among Jewish day school students. This system allows for more individualization in the programs, the presence of two role models in the classroom and creates a training ground for students aspiring to a career in Jewish education. In all, there are 11 staffers at the school.

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Government is taking new look at funding in alternative schools

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — The elitist image of the private school is being dispelled as Ontario MPPs and cabinet ministers take a new look at alternative education and the concept of public funding in this province.

There is a growing realization that the majority of independent schools are not pre-cincts for the wealthy, but thoughtful

choices of parents who are concerned about specific teaching methods, religious and/or cultural instruction, for their children. And, maintains Lyle McBurney, executive director of the Ontario Association of Alternative and Independent Schools, most parents enrolling their youngsters in such institutions do so at considerable financial sacrifice.

Adds Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, which has membership in OAAIS: "We are essentially public schools which must rely on private funding. We don't keep out students because their fathers fail to meet certain social requirements."

OAAIS, which was organized in 1974, represents 120 of Ontario's 460

independent schools; none of the 120 receives financial aid from the province. The Catholic schools, recipients of funding up to grade 10, lobby separately, while others forego government assistance, fearful that it will also mean government meddling. "Ivy League" schools such as Havergal and Upper Canada College, have their own associations.

In addition to the charges of elitism, opponents of government funding for alternate schools insist that fragmentation would result.

But Mel Shipman, former chairman of the North York Board of Education, now acting as a research consultant for OAAIS, disagrees.

Shipman, who recently made a survey trip to British Columbia and Alberta, provinces which substantially fund alternate schools, is emphatic. "Those who say there would be a mass exodus from the public schools following public funding, are perpetuating a myth!"

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Yeshiva was inspired by Bnei Akiva system

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Yeshivat Bnei Akiva — Yeshivat Or Chaim for Boys and Upanot Orot for Girls — was established by a large segment of the Toronto Jewish community to fill a vital need in Jewish high school education in the community.

The general studies program has been designed to give students the option of receiving both the grade 12 and grade 13 diplomas within four years of study. The program emphasizes the basic disciplines of language, social studies, science and mathematics.

Physical education is an integral part of the curriculum. Computer science, visual arts and typing are among the options offered.

Further information is available from the school's executive director, Rabbi David Aronson, at 630-6772.

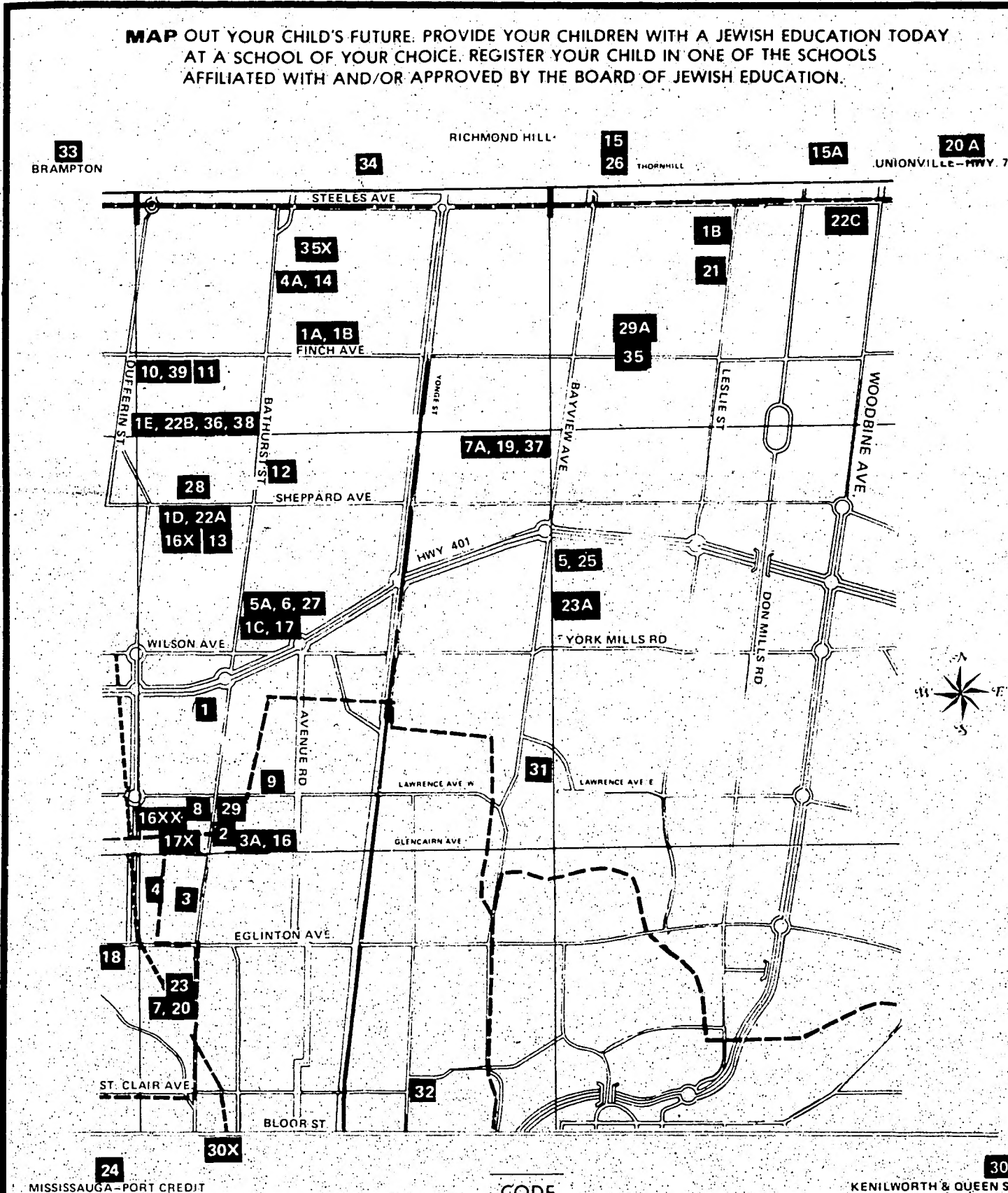
Inspired by the Yeshivat Bnei Akiva system in Israel, the yeshiva is distinctive in blending strong religious training with a high standard in general academic subjects and an enthusiastic identification with the State of Israel. It emerged as part of the "kippa seruga" (knitted yarmulke) generation, a generation rooted in Jewish tradition and simultaneously full participants in modern society.

Students come from diverse backgrounds and different school systems. Students from local day schools are in attendance, and there are students from across Canada and the United States as well.

They use two facilities — one at Almore Ave. and the other on Canyon Ave., just off Bathurst.

The classes in religious and general studies are geared to give the student careful personal attention and are designed to maximize each student's potential.

The schools begin with grade 9 and continue through grade 13. It is fully accredited by the Ontario ministry of education. The faculty members meet the highest professional standards in their respective fields and are certified by the ministry.



Jewish education grants are given to eight students

TORONTO —

Eight students from four Canadian Jewish communities were named this week by the Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Scholarship Committee as winners of grants, ranging from \$1,250 to \$1,500, to assist them in furthering their studies in preparation for a career in Jewish education. Announcement of the awards was made by Samuel J. Sable, chairman of the committee.

Award winners must have completed their grade 13 studies or its equivalent, and provide strong indications that they intend to embark on a profession of teaching in a Jewish school.

The four Toronto designees are Rob Gross, Philip Leslie Kates, Pauline Mandell, and Yehudith Oryah Schochet.

From Ottawa, Edward Goldberg and Jeffrey Snyder, both currently studying in Toronto, were granted awards. Banah Dov Brown of Montreal and Alayne Nepom of Winnipeg complete the roster of winners.

The late Meyer W. Gasner was one of Canada's great community leaders. During his lifetime, he served as president of the Canadian Jewish Congress (Central Region), the Mizrahi Organization of Canada, and the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. Deeply committed to Jewish education, he served as a member of Yeshiva University's board of governors, as vice-president of the Association of Hebrew Schools, and a major supporter of the Ner Israel Yeshiva College.

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Secular school has 30 families

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Hillel Children's Workshop was founded in 1973 by a group of professors from the University of Toronto and York University who put an advertisement in the newspaper asking like-minded individuals to join them in starting a co-operative Sunday school and adult discussion group.

Professor Jacques Kornberg, who teaches history at the University of Toronto, said that the group began with only five families. It originally met at Hillel House on St. George Street and, eventually, has grown to about 30 families with between 40 and 50 children.

When Hillel House burned down several years ago, the workshop desperately searched for new quarters. As a downtown group, it was eager to remain south of Eglinton Avenue, and Holy Blossom Synagogue came to the rescue by providing it with classrooms for several years. But a short while later the group had

to move again. It is meeting for the time being at Glendon College.

Hillel Children's Workshop is a secular school that accommodates children from the age of five through to a bar/bat mitzvah. As a co-operative, the curriculum committee devises a course of study in consultation with its own professional teachers from the Board of Jewish Education. The curriculum is very flexible, amenable to changes when parents feel it is desirable. Some holidays are celebrated together, especially Chanukah, Purim, and Passover.

What probably distinguishes Hillel Children's Workshop from alternative Sunday schools is the extraordinary quality of the speakers and the adult discussion group. For this, it is grateful to people such as poets Miriam Waddington and Eli Mandel, to professors such as Jacques Kornberg and Joseph Shatzmiller, to people such as David Lewis Stein and Arthur Doner, and many others.

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s; provinces, he continues, show that there is no significant change in enrolment as government aid is made available.

He notes too, that Montreal Jewish schools, which are heavily funded by the Quebec government, and Toronto Jewish Schools, which receive nothing from Ontario, have equal enrolments, about 6,500 pupils. "The child does not follow the dollar, but the dollar should follow the child," he says.

In the past few months the climate seems to have become increasingly friendly and sympathetic among members of all parties in the Ontario legislature as the facts are put before them.

And they are being well supplied with pertinent information.

A comprehensive booklet providing resource material and answers to questions on admissions policies and teacher qualifications, has been compiled by OAAIS and distributed to every member of the legislature.

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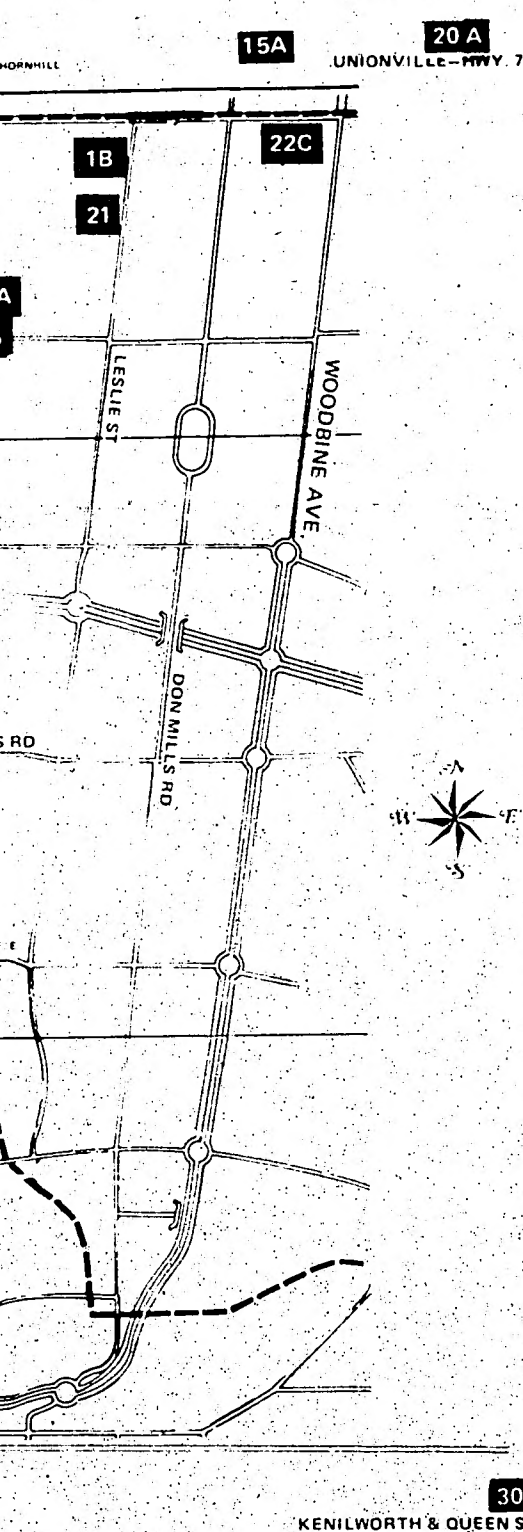
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The Associated is dedicated to educating the "whole" child. Its dual program synthesizes both modern secular education, and traditional and contemporary Hebrew studies, Egozi said.

Half the school day is conducted entirely in Hebrew. Hebrew language and literature, Jewish history, Tanach, Talmud and the laws and customs of our people constitute the curriculum. The other half day is devoted to the general studies program, which follows the guide-

lines of the Ontario Ministry of Education, as used in public schools.

A curriculum for gifted students is being developed for implementation under the guidance of a consultant, in order to meet more adequately the needs of those students.

Instruction is provided from nursery to grade 9. Children are introduced to the Hebrew language in the nursery and speak Hebrew by the completion of grade 1. Hebrew reading and writing are introduced in kindergarten and the first grade. Chumash, in its original, is intro-

duced in the second grade; Rashi commentary in the third; Nach or Prophets in the fourth; Mishna in the fifth; Talmud in the sixth; and late prophets in the junior high.

The study of Israel is integrated throughout the subject matter in all grades. This program aims at instilling the children with a positive feeling toward Israel and Jewish life.

Associated has published an extensive Hebrew curriculum, which has been purchased by more than 400 day schools in North America. Study guides for Tanach, as well as other educational materials, have also been produced.

As well as the celebration of the Shabbat and festival celebrations, a wide range of programs and activities allows students to enrich themselves. Melava malkas, siyumim, shabbatonim, and kumitzas are carried out and there are clubs and special interest groups in mathematics, computer science, chess, Talmud and Tanach.

In general studies, Associated covers, in a half day, the materials and instruction of a full day at the public school.

Bilingual music classes are scheduled as important cultural events. Gym and swimming classes are available.

Associated has special classes in Hebrew and English and tutorial services for children of recently arrived Soviet immigrants.

In junior high, formal courses in art, orchestral music, industrial arts, kosher cooking and sewing are offered. Where possible, these courses are offered in Hebrew.

The school has several branches: a main centre at Bathurst and Neptune, the Nathan and Roy Hurwich Education Centre; and other branches at Adath Israel, Beth Emeth, Beth David, and two portables located on a 15-acre site on Leslie, south of Steeles, which eventually will become the Leslie Street Education and Recreation Campus.

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TORONTO —

Torah learning is alive and well and flourishing at both branches of Eitz Chaim Schools.

"We encourage students to work independently, doing research in our resource centre or working with audio-visual equipment," said Rabbi S. K. Weinberg, Eitz Chaim principal. "The students run their own student lounge where they play ping pong, chess, checkers or read."

"The students also enjoy out-of-town excursions to conventions and have exchange programs with other schools across Canada and the United States."

Rabbi Weinberg said Eitz Chaim teachers are "constantly adding to their teaching skills with training programs, and don't hesitate to share their ideas with each other to expand their teaching skills and methods."

The boys' school on Patricia Ave. reflects Eitz Chaim's creative approach to Jewish learning. The walls are covered with murals depicting various aspects of Torah, such as charity, visiting the sick, comforting the bereaved, helping new brides, welcoming guests, free loans, making peace between people and acts of kindness.

"The boys compete in learning Talmudic thought and get books as prizes," Weinberg said. So far, Eli Rachlin, age 10, is well ahead with 90 units to his credit. (In an average year, students earn about 25 units.)

This competitive spirit



Eitz Chaim students (from left) Lydia Benhabo, Denise Shamar and Elana Gewirtz demonstrate the processes of grinding, mashing and grating that are prohibited on Shabbat, during school's recent Torah Fair.

paid off for Eitz Chaim at the recent regional contest of the annual Bible contest, sponsored by the Board of Jewish Education and the Canadian Zionist Federation. According to Weinberg, every one of the 24 Eitz Chaim participants scored 80% or more and qualified for the finals. Five Eitz Chaim students scored 100%.

At the girls' school on Viewmount Ave., the curriculum is somewhat different. Leo Adler, girls' school principal, said Talmud is omitted, and the curriculum is enriched with more Hebrew language and literature, history and geography.

"Eitz Chaim girls learn in diverse ways. In addition to the usual classroom instructions, they do special projects which they research and create in groups," Adler said.

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"Eitz Chaim stresses

the importance of the practical application of what is learned," Adler said. "For example, in home economics, students baked cakes as gifts for Purim. They present shows, musical entertainment and skits on Jewish themes to the elderly at Baycrest and Lincoln Place. The older girls participate in the student council, which publishes a school newspaper each month."

Weinberg said that the curriculum and course content are constantly developed through input from the staff, the education committee and from rabbis who visit the school regularly and make recommendations.

A Parents Association, under the chairmanship of Rochelle Meltz, organizes swimming, music, judo and arts and crafts. It sponsors joint parent-student events, such as a Purim carnival and luncheons.

Parent volunteers work

with the students, providing added challenge and enrichment to those who excel and helping others with learning difficulties.

The association also provides services to students—such as breakfast for boys following morning services; a uniform exchange, where students can trade in their outgrown uniforms (and save money); and all-night refreshments at the annual Learnathon for UJA.

A 100-member board provides lay leadership in support of the school.

Weinberg said Eitz Chaim is now planning an expansion for the Patricia Ave. building. "Our enrolment has been growing steadily in the last few years. We now have 850 children from pre-school through grade 9. In the lower grades, enrolment is increasing and averages 100 in each grade. We intend to maintain our high teacher-student ratio of about 25 students to a class, and are expanding facilities accordingly."

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EDUCATION

Low dropout rate in junior high

Most graduates of USDS pursue further Jewish studies

TORONTO — Traditional core subjects combined with relevant extracurricular innovations and an active appreciation for tzedakah help inspire a high proportion of United Synagogue Day School junior high graduates to pursue further Jewish studies.

More than 80% of this year's grade 9 class has enrolled at the Community Hebrew Academy of Tor-

onto," said a USDS spokesman. "Very few students leave the junior high during its 3-year program, and as a result, we'll be adding a second full grade 9 class this year," he said.

School principal is Aaron M. Nussbaum. A recent debate on the ethics of genetic manipulation is an example of the type of relevant innovations that have kept pupils

glued to their school and their Judaism. Here, pupils took the roles of rabbi, psychologist, biologist, and sociologist in presenting arguments for and against eugenics. Videotaped by the students, the debate combined their studies in science, literature, and Jewish ethics, to exemplify the school's emphasis on applying class-taught Jewish values in matters

of contemporary life-style," he said.

The school's Inter-Disciplinary Extracurricular Activities (IDEA) program includes:

- Getting It Together, an opportunity to share concerns around peer, parent and teacher relationships;
- Improving study skills;
- Drama;
- Judaica, a look at art,

music, cooking and crafts in Jewish life.

To date, 35 students have participated in Microcomputers for Kids, a course offered at Humbler College under auspices of the school. The popularity of the course far exceeds the facilities available, and plans are currently under way to expand this program for next year.

Over the years, it has

become traditional to highlight the school year with trips out of town to major centres of interest. These relate directly to the ongoing history and geography programs, and have provided a valuable look at Jewish communities in cities such as New York, Washington, Ottawa and Quebec.

Six years ago, after lengthy negotiations with the Metropolitan Toronto

and Region Conservation Authorities, USDS was given permission to make use of their field centres, and since that time, a week at the Claremont Conservation Centre became a focal point for the grade 7 program.

With the rapid expansion of the junior high school department, the limit of 45 students at the Claremont Centre was surpassed and USDS became

the first day school to make use of the Jewish Camp Council's Maple Lake Conference Centre for a week that combined outdoor activities such as cross-country skiing, orienteering and survival skills with an intensive program of workshops and seminars focusing on Judaic attitudes to environmental concerns.

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Teachers to study at Israeli Holocaust institute

TORONTO —

Three Toronto teachers will spend three weeks this summer in Israel, participating in the third annual summer institute on Teaching the Holocaust. The three are: Chava Benaiah of the Associated Hebrew Schools; Dr. Jon I. Bloomberg of the Community Hebrew Academy; and Harold Jerome Lass, of Northern Secondary School.

The institute, sponsored by Yad Vashem, in co-operation with the Hebrew University, is designed to give educators a thorough introduction to the subject of the Holocaust.

The course aims to provide participants with historical information, conceptual frameworks, methodological techniques, and teaching strategies related to teaching

one of the most awesome periods in Jewish history.

The program will include 120 hours of lectures and tutorials, and will introduce the teacher participants to the unique documentation available at Yad Vashem through its archives, library stacks and museum.

Among the scholars from Israel and abroad with whom the Toronto teachers will be studying are: Yehuda Bauer, Simon Herman and Marcel Dubois of the Hebrew University; Emil Fackenheim, of the University of Toronto; and Frank Littell, Temple University.

Participants have been awarded scholarships by Yad Vashem covering tuition fees for the course. In addition, the Leonard Wolinsky Foundation and the Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Scholarship

Fund have provided joint-ly a \$1,500 stipend to cover travel and partial housing costs for each of the participants.

The selection of candidates for the seminar was a joint project of the Toronto Jewish Congress Holocaust Remembrance Committee and the Board of Jewish Education.

In naming the three seminar participants, Rabbi Mark David, chairman of the Remembrance Committee, pointed out that "teaching the Holocaust presents the educator, both Jewish and non-Jewish, with a great emotional and intellectual challenge — one which has only recently been

taken up. It is our hope that the increasing interest of educators in the Holocaust will provide us with the means of transmitting the story of this terrifying era to our children."

Rabbi Irwin E. Witt, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, underscored the un-

usually high qualifications and quality of the three participants, who will be expected, upon their return from Israel, to become involved in transmitting teaching strategies and techniques to their colleagues.

Chava Benaiah is an alumna of Teachers' College in Tel Aviv and the Teachers' Academy for

Senior Instructors in Herzliya. She taught in England, at the North West London Jewish Day School for four years, and has been on the staff of Associated since 1976.

Dr. Bloomberg holds a BA from Yeshiva University, an MA from Columbia University Teachers' College, and MA and PhD degrees from Yale University. He was ordained at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University. At CHAT, he teaches Bible, Talmud and Jewish history, including a Grade 13 course on the Holocaust.

Lass, who holds an honors degree from the University of Toronto, is head of the English department at Northern Secondary School, and has served in a variety of administrative positions. He has organized workshops for teachers and Toronto Board of Education employees on the Holocaust, and is currently implementing a Holocaust curriculum in History and English for Toronto public high schools.

The seminar will be held from July 2-23.

pictures and addresses of all kosher butcher shops, bakeries, and so forth, and to help themselves to heaping platters of gastronomic delight.

"A buffet was set up serving delicacies from Toronto's kosher restaurants. Posters and demonstrations clearly explained the easy accessibility of kashruth. Every booth also offered a game or a quiz which the children could actively participate in."

More than 400 families attended the afternoon event.

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Thriving curriculum Leo Baeck school will add grade 9

TORONTO — Leo Baeck Day School, the only Reform Jewish day school in Canada, will be adding its first grade 9 class next year.

With a current enrolment of 387 children from pre-school through grade 8, Leo Baeck has been growing steadily since its inception in 1974, thriving on a curriculum that stresses informal educational experience as well as conventional work.

The formal aspect of the curriculum includes core subjects such as language arts, social studies, science and mathematics. Every day each child studies Hebrew and French. These are enriched by art, drama, music and an extensive physical education program. Upper grades are offered industrial arts and typing.

Classroom work is supplemented by the transmission of Jewish values and experiences. Each year the children gather shabbat manot and deliver it to community agencies on Purim. Every fall, grades 3 through 8 go on a 4-day camp retreat in northern Ontario. Children, parents, and teach-

ers eat, play, learn and pray together. In a camp setting, activities become curricular matters as important as formal subject matter.

The experience of Shabbat together at a camp sponsored by the school reinforces and deepens many classroom experiences and remains with a child for years.

Leo Baeck stresses respect for children and their interests as well as a respect for the authority of knowledge and culture. This underlies the school's commitment to individualization of instruction, allowing children to develop in a way and at a pace most suitable for each.

The curriculum does not separate Jewish content by language or time of day. Jewish and secular studies intertwine, to suggest a Judaism rooted in the ordinary experiences of a person's day-to-day life.

The school is actively supported by the community's Reform rabbis and temples. Its affairs are conducted by a board of trustees composed of parents, rabbis, temple representatives, and laymen.

Ohalet Yoseph Yitzchak Afternoon Hebrew School teaches children in north Metro the joy of being traditionally Jewish.

"Jewish ideals from the classroom are applied to the modern world through a variety of dynamic programs," said Batya Schochet, program director.

"The pupils learn the whys and wherefores of Judaism by participating in Shabbatons, melavah malkahs, Torah fairs, as well as Chanukah parties and Purim carnivals.

"They even write and enact TV programs based on upcoming Yom Tovim. Every month brings new activities to which the children enthusiastically respond. Jewish history, traditions and Israel come alive for them," she said.

Ohalet Yoseph Yitzchak Afternoon School has a current enrolment of 200

pupils, at three locations: Bayview and Willowbrook, Don Mills and Steeles, and Chabad Gate and Bathurst.

Underlying the lively and imaginative program is a solid core of traditional class studies. The purpose of the combined approach, said Ms. Schochet, is to "equip our children with enough Jewish identity to save them from intermarriage, from being exploited by a variety of expanding cults; in short, to help save them from disappearing from the Jewish scene altogether."

"On the positive side, we try to answer the children's sincere questions: 'Why should we bother being Jewish if we live in Canada?'"

"What is the point of learning about Israel?" In other words, we try to prepare them to live as

citizens of the Canadian community who are at the same time proud and comfortable with their identity as Jews."

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SUMMER SCHOOL OF DANCE

The annual Summer School of Dance at the Koffler Centre of the Arts offers intensive daytime and evening classes from June 28th to August 6th. The summer-time has long been used by Dancers and Students of Dance as an intense period of advancement in their training. A common heart-break for many youngsters who go away to camp or take a complete summer off, is the realization when they return to classes in September their class-mates, who attend summer school, are one or two levels ahead of them. At the Koffler Centre you can take advantage of intense daily study in Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Tap and such enrichments as Pas de Deux, Repertoire, Pointe, Production Workshops in Jazz and Choreography ("Creating Dances") and "Clinique" — a special class for personal corrective work. For more information about both the daytime and evening programs, call the Dance Office at 636-1880, ext. 37 or 61.



"FOOTNOTE" is a new quarterly newsletter issued by the Dance Committee of the Koffler Centre of the Arts which highlights upcoming events, individual teachers or students, fascinating tidbits of history and DanceBiz of interest to all. For a free copy of the next edition drop into the Dance Office or call 636-1880.

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CURTAIN CALLS

"Play On" — A collective production based on the theme of love, in conjunction with the Leah Posluns Theatre, by our Senior Youth Company, has just closed. KUDOS to the group of wonderfully talented teenagers and their director, Tom Diamond, for this eclectic performance of Theatre, song and dance.

CURTAIN GOING UP

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MUSIC SCHOOL

MUSIC SCHOOL CONCERTS

The School of Music will present end-of-season student concerts in the Koffler Centre Loggia on:

Sunday, May 30 at 2 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

The following studio recitals will also be held in the Loggia:

Sunday, May 30 at 12.30 p.m. (from the studio of B. Schonfeld — piano)

Sunday, May 30 at 4 p.m. (from the studio of N. Veksler — piano)

Monday, May 31 at 5.30 p.m. (from the studios of F. Carriere & J. Tylla — piano)

Monday, May 31 at 7.30 p.m. (from the studio of K. Rymal & S. McArthur — piano and voice)

*Students who are selected to perform in any of the above recitals, will already have been notified by their instrumental teacher.

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Twice weekly, Mondays and Wednesdays, June 14 to July 21, 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Instructor: Meira Taube. Fee: \$60 JCC members, \$75 non-members. Knowledge of Hebrew reading and writing a pre-requisite.

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15 sessions — Begins Wednesday, May 26, 6.30-9.30 p.m. Instructor: Gill Saward. Fee: \$80 JCC members, \$95 non-member.

Ceramics

1. Tuesdays and Thursdays — (Twice Weekly) 10 sessions — 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Starts July 6. Instructor: Marion Kashin. Fee: \$65 JCC members, \$75 non-members. Materials extra.

2. Wednesdays — 10 sessions — 7-10 p.m. Starts July 7. Instructor: Marion Kashin. Fee: \$65 JCC members, \$75 non-members. Material extra.

Design Workshop

1 of 2 week workshop — May 24-June 4, 9.30 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3.30 p.m. Instructor: Renata Realini. Fee: \$75 JCC members, \$85 non-members — 1 week \$140 JCC members, \$155 non-members — 2 weeks.

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SUMMER FUN AT THE BLOOR BRANCH

Registration is still being accepted for the Bloor Branch Summer Fun Program for children 5 to 10 years of age. For brochure and more information call Josie, 924-6211.

Squash

Squash clinic for beginners and intermediates on Monday evenings at 7.20 p.m. The lessons begin May 3/82 for 5 weeks. Fee: \$10 members, \$20 non-members.

Tennis

Our popular outdoor tennis lessons began on May 11. Five weeks of lessons are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. For information about the NEXT clinic (sometime in June) call 924-6211 and ask for

Lindsay Henderson. Fee: \$30 members, \$40 non-members.

Swim lessons

Instructional lessons began the week of May 16th. All classes except 'Adult Learn to Swim' and Scuba will be held twice per week for 6 weeks. Registration began May 2 at the pool office. For more information call Donna Kamel at 924-6211.

Prenatal/Postpartum

A new course, 'Postpartum Exercise for Moms and Babies' is being added to the prenatal/postpartum program. This will be an ongoing class with registration every 5 weeks. Other classes in the prenatal program will continue as before. All Classes in the Prenatal/Postpartum program begin June 21st/82. For further information contact Donna Kamel.

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EDUCATION

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Enrolment has increased 20% yearly at the Richmond Hill Hebrew School

RICHMONDHILL, Ont. —

In the autumn of 1976, a small group of parents living in Richmond Hill started a Hebrew school program for their children. These parents began instructing 12 children for one hour on Sundays about Jewish traditions and festivals until a teacher was found.

Among the parents active at the beginning were Carol Abrahams, Robin Benmergui, Trish Hamilton and Lydia Nafolin. According to Carol Abrahams, their main goals were "to give the children a background in Jewish culture and history, and have them learn Hebrew in a joyful atmosphere."

The Richmond Hill Hebrew School now boasts 60 students in classes from junior kindergarten through grade four. Next year, enrolment is expected to increase when grade five is introduced. Every year since its inception, a class has been added and enrolment has increased by 20 per cent.

The Hebrew school is run by a voluntary board of directors, which is elected each year. It is a conservative congregation school, affiliated with the Board of Jewish Education.

A definitive curriculum has been developed under the guidance of the Board of Jewish Education, the teaching staff and parents who act as the board of directors.



Pupils at Richmond Hill Hebrew School

It is a diversified program, tailored to suit the needs of the children of the young, growing Jewish community in Richmond Hill/Thornhill by promoting a positive identification with Jewish life and values.

The program emphasizes customs and ceremonies; religious orientation; worship, prayers and blessings; history of the Jewish people; drama, song, dance, art and games; and Hebrew as a spoken language and as a skill for studying the text.

There are two-, four- and six-hour programs for the various levels, which are held on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at the Richvale Community

Center, 160 Avenue Road, in Richmond Hill.

Most children start the program in kindergarten and continue on. Pearl Brenman, head teacher, explains that, "the school is willing to provide for children who were unable to start in kindergarten or Grade One. Several children in this situation needed tutoring for a period of time and have integrated well into their appropriate grade level."

Rabbi Sol Tanenzaph holds a Sunday morning study group for children, who are pre- or post-bar or bat mitzvah.

The size of the school and its smaller classes have provided students with distinct advantages.

Brenman, who has been with the school since 1980, says "that the teachers are able to give the children more individual attention, co-ordinate programs between classes, and provide extra-curricular activities. Discipline problems that may exist at some afternoon Hebrew schools are practically non-existent."

In addition to the academic learning of Hebrew, the four teachers in the school plan and co-ordinate programs for each Jewish festival. For each festival program, one teacher is responsible for obtaining educational materials such as films, pictures, cassettes and books from the Board of Jewish Education. The teachers

then co-ordinate programs appropriate for each grade level.

The teachers have also provided the children with opportunities to participate in Jewish community-wide cultural events. In February, students in grades one to four joined in the city-wide 'Zimriah' (Song Festival) held at the Adath Israel, and, in March, students in grades three and four participated in the 'Rikudiah' (Dance Festival) at York University.

Through these programs, the children were able to identify with the rest of the Jewish community and develop a strong school spirit. Terri Winston, a school board member, who accompanied the children on the bus to the Zimriah, "was thrilled with the pride and spirit the children demonstrated as they enthusiastically sang their songs en route to the Adath Israel from Richmond Hill."

Necha Jakubowicz, the kindergarten teacher, says: "My aim is to make Hebrew school fun, a place the children want to come to rather than a place they have to go."

The Hebrew school is affiliated with the Richmond Hill Jewish Community Synagogue. President Gary Winston has successfully encouraged the development of joint programs throughout the school year. For example, as a culmination of their learning of Shabbat customs and traditions, the children present songs and plays at the annual Shabbat (communal dinner).

It is the hope of the Richmond Hill Jewish Community Synagogue to enhance the spiritual life of Jewish children by stimulating an interest in, a good knowledge of, and an abiding love for the rich heritage of traditional Judaism.

For further information about the Richmond Hill Hebrew School, please call: 884-6283 or 884-5864.

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Renovation, construction indicate growth at Bialik

TORONTO —

Bialik Hebrew day school is expanding its physical facilities at 14 Viewmount thanks to increased enrolment.

Construction of a third floor has been under way for the past two months and renovations of the existing facilities are also in progress. As a result of this, six classes have had to be relocated at Holy Blossom Temple.

The school hopes to move into its new facilities in time for the 1982/83 school year and an internal campaign to raise funds to cover the costs of the building is in progress.

The school was founded by the Labor Zionist Movement and was modeled after Chaim Nachman Bialik's vision of a Jewish education system based on traditional values and oriented toward life in the modern world. Great emphasis is placed on Hebrew language, and the original sources, modern literature and Jewish history are all taught in Hebrew.

Jewish and general studies are well integrated. A health lesson on hygiene or nutrition may be reinforced on the same day by a Hebrew language lesson introducing the words for these concepts.

Yiddish is also taught at Bialik so that Jewish children gain additional insight into their heritage.

The school provides children with special educational needs, support services such as English as a second language, Hebrew Ulpan for beginners, and Yiddish tutorials.



Bialik Hebrew Day School students take part in an arts and crafts class.

Problems with students are discussed between the

principal and parents and if further consultation is needed, the Jewish Vocational Service psychological guidance counseling services are utilized.

Many Bialik graduates continue their Jewish studies at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto, or choose to finish high school in public schools.

In spite of the full academic program, students voluntarily participate in a number of extra-curricular activities. They include: involvement in a dance group and 80-person school choir, participation in both the national and regional Bible contest and contributions to the Jewish National Fund.

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Orthodox day school emphasizes teaching of Sephardic customs

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Or Haemet Sephardic School has been taken warmly under wing by the Toronto Jewish Congress and the community's leading rabbis.

Or Haemet is an Orthodox day school that teaches Sephardic customs and traditions, the only one of its kind in Toronto.

"There are about 850

Sephardic families in the community now, and it is important that their minhagim — customs — be preserved," said Rabbi Baruch Klein, executive director of Or Haemet.

"We recently secured a grant from TJC via the Board of Jewish Education for \$50,000," said Klein.

"It's the first grant Or Haemet received from TJC. It is also one of the largest first-time grants given to any school," he

added. "We hope it will be granted annually."

The school's current operating budget is \$350,000, covering the education of 135 pupils from pre-nursery through grade 6. Tuition is \$2,500 per child in the grade school, "which certainly not every parent can cover," said Klein.

Since it was founded six years ago with 12 pupils, Or Haemet has moved from one location to another, a particular little

Diocese wandering from place to place within a much larger one. It is currently using facilities of the Beth Emeth-Bals Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St.

Just before Passover, the local division of the Rabbinical Council of Canada, an organization of Orthodox pulpits rabbis, issued a letter stressing "the need to protect and preserve Sephardic heritage and culture in the city of Toronto," and urging congregants to make their tax-deductible contributions to Or Haemet.

"This is the first such public letter of unanimous support by the members of the council for any school, and we are very pleased," School principal is Rabbi A. Assayag, spiritual leader of Petah Tikvah Congregation.

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For more information about registration, call the principal, Bette-Ann Goldstein, at 857-2104.

Hebrew school educates children who are living in North Peel community

BRAMPTON, Ont. —

The North Peel Hebrew School has been educating many Jewish young people from Brampton, Bramalea and Bolton for the past five years in a senior citizens' community centre in Bramalea every Sunday morning.

There are 22 children in the school and the pupil-teacher ratio of 7-1 makes it possible for each child to be taught at his or her own level, said a school spokesman.

Approximately 20 families belong to the North Peel Jewish community, and more young families are discovering affordable housing, many facilities and amenities available in the area, the spokesman said.

The size of the school makes it convenient for all of the 5- to 13-year-olds to participate in services and holiday celebrations. The spokesman added that the younger children learn from the participation of the older students, while the older ones "have their enthusiasm rekindled by the younger ones."

In the Hebrew school, the Jewish child develops the knowledge and confidence needed to share his or her religion with public school classmates and teachers, explained the spokesman. Since there are not many Jewish children in the public schools, the Hebrew school provides a setting where the youngster can learn

about the special things that make him or her Jewish.

The children also have the opportunity to share their Jewish holiday observances with a group of Hebrew school friends who have experienced the same things.

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Children at Noah's Ark prepare for

Daycare program is also a nursery

By DONNA GOLDMAN

TORONTO —

Noah's Ark Children's Centre is a daycare/nursery school program located at 2939 Bathurst Street. Under the auspices of the Abarbanel Institute of Toronto, the Centre provides education city-wide for Jewish children 2-5 years of age.

Rabbi Leon Ederly, executive director of the Centre regards the services offered as unique in many respects. Aside from noting its vital role in directly serving the needs of the Jewish community, Ederly emphasizes the newness of not only the program itself, but also the building in which it is housed.

Built in 1980 solely for the purpose of daycare and nursery, the residence has become a symbol of Ederly's dedication to Jewish children. Before the establishment of such a centre, Ederly spent 1967 to 1972 raising funds to bring Jewish children to existing day schools. Subsequent financial support, mostly from relations in Argentina, helped to provide the services offered today.

Until recently, the school encompassed two floors with approximately 5,000 square feet. With the small main floor synagogue relocating, the full three floors will be devoted to the Centre.

A usual day begins at 7:45 a.m., when the first carpool driven by Ederly,

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TORONTO —

Harvey Leven, a native of Pittsburgh, currently serving as educational director of a major congregation in Jacksonville, Fla., has been named to the staff of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, effective August 1.

He will serve as a consultant-co-ordinator, with responsibilities involving five Reform congregational schools, the Leo Baeck Reform Day School, several Conservative supplementary schools, and a variety of inter-school activities.

Included in Leven's duties will be the supervision of such BJE-sponsored programs as the inter-school choral festival, the local Bible Contest, United Jewish Appeal projects in the

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Children at Noah's Ark prepare for the chagim.

Daycare program is also a nursery

By DONNA GOLDMAN

TORONTO — Noah's Ark Children's Centre is a daycare/nursery school program located at 2939 Bathurst Street. Under the auspices of the Abaranel Institute of Toronto, the Centre provides education city-wide for Jewish children 2-5 years of age.

Kabbi Leon Eder, executive director of the Centre regards the services offered as unique in many respects. Aside from noting its vital role in directly serving the needs of the Jewish community, Eder emphasizes the newness of, not only the program itself, but also the building in which it is housed.

Built in 1980 solely for the purpose of daycare and nursery, the residence has become a symbol of Eder's dedication to Jewish children. Before the establishment of such a centre, Eder spent 1967 to 1972 raising funds to bring Jewish children to existing day schools. Subsequent financial support, mostly from relations in Argentina, helped to provide the services offered today.

Until recently, the school encompassed two floors with approximately 5,000 square feet. With the small main floor synagogue relocating, the full three floors will be devoted to the Centre.

A usual day begins at 7:45 a.m., when the first carpool driven by Eder,

arrives. Children attend school either five or three days a week, although a majority are full-time. Presently, children attend by September, the number is expected to reach 65. With the acquisition of the remaining space, the capacity will increase to 120 children. This increase includes the newly planned kindergarten.

The staff of six, which includes Eder and his brother Rabbi Abraham Eder, principal of the school, are totally dedicated and feel they are filling the gap that is needed. "These are my children," says Eder, and parents are secure with this understanding.

Virtually all the children attending come from homes where both parents are working. This is indicative of the changes that are occurring in the traditional Jewish home.

Many young Jewish women are entering the work force and have children, five and under.

Several of the youngsters are presently single children, due primarily to the ages of the couples involved, and they benefit greatly from the family atmosphere created and maintained at Noah's Ark. (Food service provided is kosher.)

The Centre is non-profit, and private.

Because of its success so far, the possibility exists of opening a branch in the Bathurst/Steeles area.

Leven is chosen as BJE consultant

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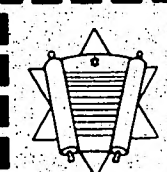
Harvey Leven, a native of Pittsburgh, is currently serving as educational director of a major congregation in Jacksonville, Fla., has been named to the staff of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, effective August 1. He will serve as a consultant-coordinator, with responsibilities involving five Reform congregational schools, the Leo Baek Reform Day School, several Conservative supplementary schools, and a variety of inter-school activities.

Included in Leven's duties will be the supervision of such BJE-sponsored programs as the inter-school choral festival, the local Bible Contest, United Jewish Appeal projects in the

schools, and others. He will serve also as liaison between the community's central agency for Jewish education and the Reform Educators Council.

Leven holds a BA, with a major in Jewish studies, from the University of Pittsburgh, and an MA in Near Eastern and Judaic studies from Brandeis University. He is an alumnus of Pittsburgh's School of Advanced Jewish Studies, and studied in Israel at the Hayim Greenberg Teachers College and Tel Aviv University.

He has served on the faculty of schools in Pittsburgh and suburban Boston, has taught Hebrew at Florida Junior College, and served on the staff of Camp Ramah in Ontario.



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Grade 9 curriculum returns to Beth Jacob High School

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One major innovation made by Beth Jacob High School for Girls this year has been the re-introduction of a grade 9 program. The majority of the baby boom generation has graduated, high schools are able to divert to a grade 9 to 13 program, Stefansky said.

This year, the school has also introduced a computer science course.

"Our job is to enhance

the quality of education and to give students the maximum possible opportunity to realize their full potential, spiritually and academically," said Stefansky.

He believes that young people need limits, and the Beth Jacob High School sets those limits.

"We do set high standards of behavior, deport-

ment and dress, but they are not difficult for the girls to respect. Our staff are all deeply dedicated to the Torah way of life.

Thus, by emulating the role models they see around them, Beth Jacob students achieve a sense of emotional security and a feeling of belonging... in a Torah-oriented lifestyle," he added.

Stefansky said that for many years, Jewish educators have been searching for a way to enrich Jewish education, and to attract, retain and keep youth within the Jewish fold.

"Beth Jacob has a pleasant, happy atmosphere, conducive to intellectual development, stability and self-confidence," he said. "Since inception 22 years ago, the Beth Jacob atmosphere and value system have been transmitted to a new generation of proud Jews who are already making a vital contribution to our community as teachers and community leaders."

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She'arim caters to children with learning disabilities

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When the She'arim Hebrew Day school, now completing its second year of operation, was launched, its founders were responding to a long felt need for a program which would provide, within the Jewish school system, for children with special needs.

After its initial growing pains, the school has established itself as a vehicle for the education of Jewish children with learning disabilities — one which is attracting growing attention by administrators and teachers within the Jewish school system, as well as psychologists, social workers, remedial specialists, and educators in the general community.

The program at She'arim, which encompasses Jewish and general studies, is open to Jewish children, with or without prior day school experience, ages 9-14. A staff of qualified personnel offers remedial and developmental programs, individually structured to meet the needs of each student.

Initiators of the She'arim Hebrew Day School were Rabbis Joseph Kelman, Irvin E. Witte and Sheldon Steinberg. They launched the school, according to Rabbi Witte, out of a conviction that no Jewish child who can be provided with proper professional assistance to overcome his or her learning disabilities should be denied a Jewish education in a proper Jewish atmosphere. Witte serves as consultant to the school, and as a member of its steering committee.

Brenda Rothenberg, who serves as co-ordinator of She'arim, says the emphasis at the school is on "academic therapy, the acquisition of good work habits, and helping every child fulfil his potential by alleviating obstacles to personal and educational achievement."

As part of the school's approach, close personal attention is given to the social and emotional needs of the youngsters. The school staff is proud of the strides which students have made in many of their academic achievements.

During the course of the year, the small group of She'arim children, guided by their teachers — Mrs. Dorit Levine, Mrs. Winnie Osborne and Eli Rubenstein — celebrated Purim by preparing their own mishloach manot and delivering them to the residents of Baycrest Centre, made Chanukah menorahs out of clay, built model succas and held a "dry-run" of a seder.

The youngsters have engaged in an in-depth study of Russian Jewry, culminating in writing letters to Russian Refuseniks and to Prime Minister Trudeau. In the latter case, they urged Trudeau to use his influence to have Ida Nudel set free.

As part of a community awareness program, She'arim students have had occasion to learn about the physically handicapped, through an organization called Aid to Local Groups. They have met with, and learned about, individuals who are blind, confined to a wheelchair, and have cerebral palsy.

Supporting the school are a group of laymen and professionals who guide and assist the school in its financial affairs, in the formulation of policy and in the development of programs. Morris Fischtein is treasurer of

She'arim, and Ralph Snow is chairman of the tuition fee committee. Allen Friedman heads the personnel committee, and Marilyn Wise is chairman of the admission committee.

Information about She'arim, arrangements for limited visits to the school, and application forms can be obtained by writing to Brenda Rothenberg, c/o She'arim, 200 Wilmington Ave., Downsview, M3H 5B8, or phoning 633-8247.

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Travel



Whitewater rafting is a popular pastime on the Ottawa River near Pembroke, Ont.

Whitewater canoeing is available in Ottawa River until October

By JAMES MONTAGNES

BEACHBURG, Ont. — When you mention whitewater canoeing to most adventurous vacationers, you get the reaction that this must be in the Rocky Mountain area. But surprisingly enough

there are plenty of rivers in Eastern Canada, especially in spring, where you have the time of your life battling the raging white rapids.

Not far from Toronto, the Ottawa River near Pembroke has its quota of rapids, once navigated by

lumber rafts to the pulp and paper mills which used to operate opposite Ottawa in Hull, Que. Now the raging rapids each summer test the strength of paddlers in rubber rafts, canoes and kayaks.

From May to October you can make 1- or 2-day

trips on the river with Ottawa River Whitewater Rafting Ltd. The firm operates 12-person rubber rafts for a 6-hour trip on the river. It has 2-day trips for those with more time, with overnight tenting.

You can travel weekdays or weekends, but the exciting trips have become so popular in the past year, that it is wise to make reservations as early as possible. Everyone is required to wear a life-jacket, and no one under 13 years will be accepted. You arrive at the whitewater rafting camp for an overnight stay at Beachburg. In the morning a bus takes you to the put-in point at the head of rapids. An experienced river guide gives a detailed briefing of the day's coming events, and how to handle yourself in the raft.

Then comes the actual excitement of the river. Rapid follows rapid with the sound of crashing water. You and your friends yell loud with each crash of the rubber boat on the foaming waters. You laugh with excitement.

During the lunch stop you can even try body surfing if you are not afraid. And all the while your actions are being filmed on videotape, for an instant replay when you get back to camp.

Rates range from \$40 per person on 1-day weekend trips, \$55 for 1-day weekend trips, to \$110 and \$125 per person for 2-day and weekend excursions. The price includes meals, guides and equipment.

For further information write Ottawa River Whitewater Rafting Ltd., Box 179, Beachburg, Ont. K0J 1C0, or phone (613) 646-2501.

The company also provides 2-, 3- and 5-day courses in kayaking and canoeing during the summer months.

General sites such as Hollywood, Disneyland and Venice, are noted for tourist reference, too.

Guide to Greater Jewish Los Angeles is a worthwhile investment for any Jewish newcomer arriving to this metropolis. It can be purchased for \$6 at the Jewish Federation Council of Greater LA, 6505 Wilshire Blvd.

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Tourists still travel to Old Tucson despite decline of Western movies

By LEWIS LEVENDEL

TUCSON, Ariz. — Every Saturday afternoon 30 years ago when I was a child, nearly every boy in the neighborhood high-tailed indoors to catch an old western movie on TV. Then we cowboys moseyed on back into the streets, cap pistols in our holsters, to continue the never-ending game of cowboys and Indians.

Today, western films are completely out of style, and boys are more likely to fantasize about Star Wars characters, and to play in their local electronic games emporium.

But despite the decline in popularity of the myths of the Old West, thousands of tourists of all ages throng to Old Tucson, a combination amusement park-motion picture studio about 12 miles from downtown Tucson. For this old "cowboy," it was a special treat.

Dubbed Hollywood in the Desert, Old Tucson was constructed in 1939 for the epic motion picture Arizona starring Jean Arthur and newcomer William Holden. Since then, this western fantasyland has been the setting for more than 150 films, television episodes and commercials.

Visitors get a behind-the-scenes look at movie-making including many of the standard tricks and stunts, plus the recreation of Old West legends by actors and stuntmen out on the streets. In addition, the \$6 admission fee allows unlimited use of rides ranging from old cars to a rail line.

Old Tucson is situated in the Tucson Mountain Park amidst the pristine beauty of the saguaro-studded blue mountains and valley flat land. It came about as a result of Hollywood's choice of this virgin desert location as the site of the first big-budget (\$2.5 million) western to be filmed on location.

Designed to be an accurate representation of Tucson as it was in 1860s, the set lasted well because of the climate, and because the Papago Indians knew how to construct adobe buildings to last. However, the next 20 years were not boom times for this place until a businessman set about restoring it as a movie set and theme park.

Along with a sound

stage finished in 1968, the new owner acquired an extensive property department including America's oldest working locomotive seen in Annie Get Your Gun and Meet Me in St. Louis, and MGM's complete wardrobe department.

Today, at least five times a day, a live action drama takes place on Main St., complete with blazing six guns, fistfuffs and daredevil falls from roofs. To give different looks of the Old West, there are three different areas — Kansas St., the southwestern Main St. and Mexican Plaza.

Along Main St., drop into some of the buildings where displays try to capture the old atmosphere. Look at turn-of-the-century patent medicines and the fever box table upon which a patient lay over gas burners designed to bring up body temperatures to break the fever. John Wayne fans will enjoy his memorabilia collection in the Alamo jail, while others might get a kick out of the 1890 "wanted dead or alive" posters for alleged murderers.

Before embarking on the studio tour, a short film traces the history of Old Tucson and includes brief scenes from some of the films made here. Some of them are Gunfight at the OK Corral with Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas, Hombre with Paul Newman, Rio Bravo with John Wayne, and TV shows Have Gun, Will Travel, The High Chaparral and Father Murphy.

As for the rides, they pale in comparison to those in the larger theme parks in North America. However, do try the Old Tucson narrow gauge railroad, or the stagecoach to get an overall view of the facility. And a 1900 carousel is a nostalgic delight for those who recall old merry-go-rounds.

Of course, there's a shooting gallery and a number of souvenir shops selling the usual tourist junk. The only store worth a look are the ones selling high-quality western merchandise, and Indian ware and crafts.

My wife and I found the western-style bar too

noisy, but we did dine in the Red Dog. The walls of this eatery are adorned with pictures of on-set stars. The Bar BQ beef sandwich was as good as we've ever eaten.

Movie-making on street

Later that day out in the hills with an actual native-born Tucsonian, we stopped in at another western-style diner, the OK Corral, for mesquite-broiled steaks and beef ribs. For under \$4, we ate five gigantic ribs, beans, a scrumptious salad and a tasty roll. An unlike back home in Toronto, we found no desserts priced over \$1.50 in our eight-day Tucson stay.

In fact, all during our visit here, we found good value in accommodation, dining and shopping. In the city, we chose to stay in the Atzec Inn near the area's largest shopping centre, the El Con Mall. The mall gave us five large department stores, as well as a host of southwest specialty shops. While there, we checked out to our satisfaction the region's celebrated Tex-

Mex food in the restaurant Tequila Mockingbird (pun intended) where we enjoyed gazpacho, fried zucchini, potato skins and quesadilla, a tortilla filled with cheese, flavored with chiles, and served with guacamoles and sour cream.

Next door to our hotel was the Lunt Avenue Marble Club, an old mansion with interesting memorabilia, turned into an eatery with a gigantic, imaginative menu. We ate three meals there and never paid more than \$20 for two including full-course meals of fish, beef and veal.

If it's relaxation you want, try staying at the Lodge on the Desert where the Duke and Duchess of Windsor wintered for many years. It's the next hotel over from the Atzec Inn. The clients are elderly.

For a touch of class with old world elegance, stay and dine at the Arizona Inn. This is a type of place where just as many guests play croquet on the lawn as indulge in tennis.

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U.S. senate American

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Packwood, who led the Senate fight against the sale of AWACS to Saudi Arabia, is now mounting an offensive against the proposed sale of sophisticated arms to Jordan.

Packwood called on Americans to stand by Israel which he views as a partner, sharing a common heritage of history and tradition. "Not responding does not stop aggression," he said. "I hope America and Israel will always see the future as one. If it will be necessary for survival... we will fight and if we fight, we will win."

As if taking him at his word, the next day his fellow congressmen voted overwhelmingly in favor of a resolution stating that the U.S. will resist from the United Nations if Israel is expelled. (There have been a number of moves at the UN in recent weeks which are viewed as the first steps in Israel's expulsion — the first from individual committees and finally from the General Assembly.)

But the fight against the sale of armaments to Jordan is just beginning and it is expected to be an even greater battle than that against the AWACS sale. Many congressmen friendly to Israel are facing re-election in November and some of their seats are in jeopardy.

Although AIPAC, an official lobbying agency, is prevented by law from involving itself in politics, individual members were urged here to get out the vote in their districts and help these candidates achieve victory.

Future of Y looks hopeful

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His remarks set the tone for the evening, and indeed for the entire conference, with the theme of greater education being repeated later in greetings extended by CJC president Irwin Cotler, and Jewish Agency treasurer Akiva Lewinsky.

Former World Jewish Congress president Arthur Hertzberg, also addressed the meeting.

32nd bazaar

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All proceeds from the bazaar are directed to community projects throughout southern Ontario. It aids people who need special care, such as the elderly, at homes for the aged. The women also volunteer to work in hospitals, run blood donor clinics, and offer to canvass in campaigns such as the Heart Fund, cancer drive and the Jerry Lewis Telethon.

The upcoming Spring into Summer bazaar offers many bargains in "nearly new goods" including jewelry, toys, and clothing.

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U.S. Jewish leaders "jockey for access" to the White House

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

The highly organized structure of the American Jewish community has never been very easy to understand. Recently, the jockeying for access to the White House has underlined exactly how complex and confused matters actually can become.

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) is the only Jewish organization officially registered with the U.S. Congress to lobby on Capitol Hill. It is often authorized to speak on behalf of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, under whose umbrella are 34 national Jewish groups. Most of those presidents sit on AIPAC's executive committee. At the same time, AIPAC is a member of the Presidents' Conference.

Therefore, when the chairman of the Presidents' Conference publicly attacks the president of AIPAC — that's extraordinary. But that's exactly what happened on April 12 following President Ronald Reagan's meeting with six Jews, one of whom was Larry Weinberg, AIPAC's president. The other five were well known Republican Jewish activists, all of whom are also deeply involved in many other Jewish organizations and causes.

Howard Squadron, the chairman of the Presidents' Conference, protested Weinberg's presence. Squadron was clearly upset. He said it was "outrageous" and "unacceptable" that these "self-appointed Jews" should go to the White House without the involvement of the Presidents' Conference. "The American Jewish community is mature enough so that we do not need court Jews," he said. "We do not want any self-appointed groups to interfere with the administration."

Squadron said that he had never opposed Republican Jewish activists holding separate meetings with the President. There had been such a session last November, but it was followed by another meeting with Reagan for the Presidents' Conference.

Squadron noted that Weinberg was a well known Democratic Party activist. His participation

in the meeting, Squadron said, suggested that it was not simply one of those Republican partisan sessions. Only the Presidents' Conference, he said, was the authorized spokesman in dealing with the White House.

Squadron's sharp protest has caused a major stir among the Jewish leadership. Naturally, the six Jews who met with the President were furious with him.

In addition to Weinberg, the others were Albert Spiegel of Los Angeles; Max Fisher of Detroit; Gordon Zacks of Columbus; George Klein of New York and Richard Fox of Philadelphia. All had been active in the Jewish Coalition for Reagan-Bush during the 1980 campaign.

For his part, Weinberg has sought to avoid alluding to the incident to get out of hand. In a terse statement, he did not attack Squadron directly. "These are serious times for the American Jewish community," Weinberg said. "We face a series of crises to the Jewish people. It is our duty to convince Congress to increase aid to Israel; to support Israel in the media; and the need to emphasize to the administration the importance of Israel to our country."

"Under these circumstances, it would be irresponsible for the Jewish community to ignore a second focusing solely on domestic Jewish concerns; and the third involving Republican Jewish political matters. The first two committees, according to his concept, would consist of Jewish leaders from the major national Jewish organizations who would bring along their Jewish credibility; the best American Jewish experts on the various issues, especially from the professional and academic communities; and Republican Jewish activists who have the confidence of the White House."

The basis of the third committee would be the 1980 Jewish Coalition for Reagan-Bush. Together with the Republican National Committee's Jewish Outreach program headed by Richard Kriger, it would work to get Republican Jews elected to the House and Senate.

Whether or not Spiegel's committees get off the ground will depend in large measure on the support he receives from the White House. If Reagan and other senior administration officials make it clear that they want to support Spiegel's concept, it has a chance of working. It will also need, of course, the support of major Jewish organizations, including AIPAC and the Presidents' Conference.

There were three reasons why he wanted Weinberg at the meeting: 1. Last fall, during the height of the Saudi AWACS debate, Spiegel had met privately with the President. At that time, Reagan asked Spiegel to arrange a meeting for himself with the AIPAC leadership. These are serious words, with largely negative historic connotations.

In fairness, none of the six can be considered a "court Jew." Each, in his own right, has raised his voice firmly on behalf of the Jewish community — even in the face of stiff pressure from the administration. All six, for example, were active in opposing the Saudi AWACS sale. A "court Jew" would have supported the President on that sale and would have tried to convince other Jews to support it.

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Jews are targets

BONN [JTA] —

A Jewish student spokesman has charged that Jewish children in West Germany are regular targets of anti-semitic verbal attacks by their schoolmates and many youngsters are afraid to attend kindergarten because they are exposed to anti-semitic insults.

According to Jacky Bigel, spokesman for the Association of Jewish Students in Bavaria, Jews attending West German universities are also exposed to anti-semitism and cannot live without fear unless they conceal their identity. Bigel said it was common-place that Jewish religious services could be conducted only under heavy police guard in synagogues protected by high fences.

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MONTREAL — The reports coming in from around the world were enough to make even the most nervous Yiddishist kvell: Yiddish is alive and well and living in Panama, Finland, Australia, Charlotte, N.C. and the list goes on...

Born and raised in Eastern Europe, immigrating to New York and Montreal, Yiddish — "the Robin Hood of languages" — has not so much come of age but is showing signs of actual rejuvenation in the remote parts of the globe where Ashkenazi Jews have wandered. This

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MONTREAL — "Save our Saidye!" read some of the notes attached to the \$1 and \$2 donations pouring into the YM-YWHA since it was announced last week by President Philip Greenberg that the Saidye Bronfman Centre's English professional theatre will close at the end of the current season, Sept. 30, for financial reasons.

But even if someone came forward with a check to cover the theatre's projected deficit for 1982-83 of \$115,000, Greenberg said, it is unlikely that the theatre will be kept open. He said the decision of the Y board of directors was to close the theatre officially for the 1982-83 season only, but he indicated that the measure is a permanent one.

"We have done everything possible to try to find a way to keep operating the theatre, to try to pare down expenses... but it's unrealistic to think any English theatre can operate in the black today." The board, however, will remain open to suggestion.

The theatre has been a losing proposition for the Y for a number of years. The Y, itself, has just come through serious financial problems in its overall operations.

Greenberg said that the theatre reached a peak in annual subscription sales three years ago at 5,000. By this season, the amount had dropped to 1,600, and attendance has been 70% of the 275-seat theatre's capacity. Meanwhile theatre production costs have skyrocketed (the SBC puts on five plays a season.) The deficit for this fiscal year was \$83,379.

As early as January, Greenberg said, it had become apparent to the Y board that the association could not continue to keep the theatre afloat.